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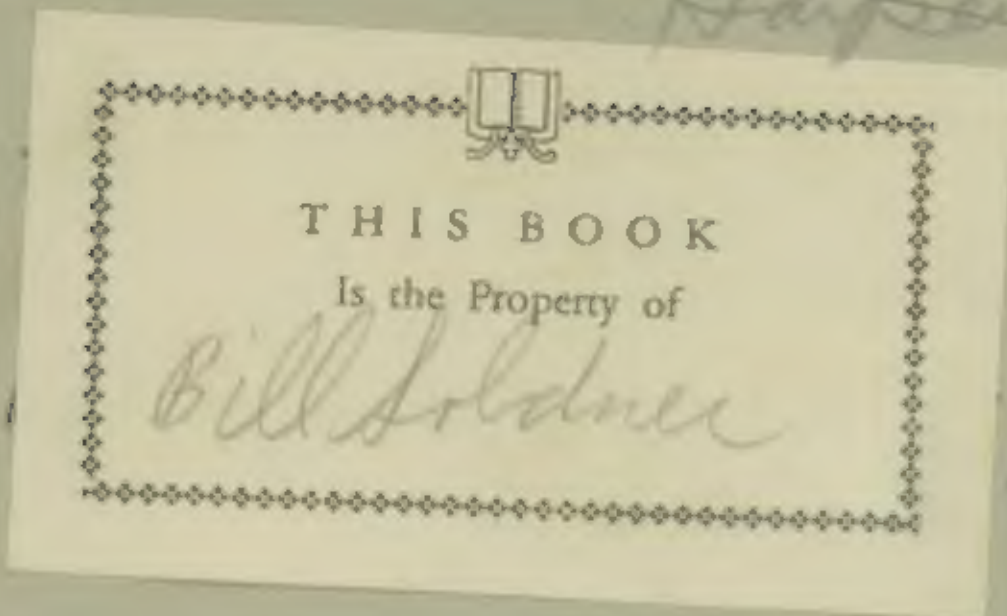
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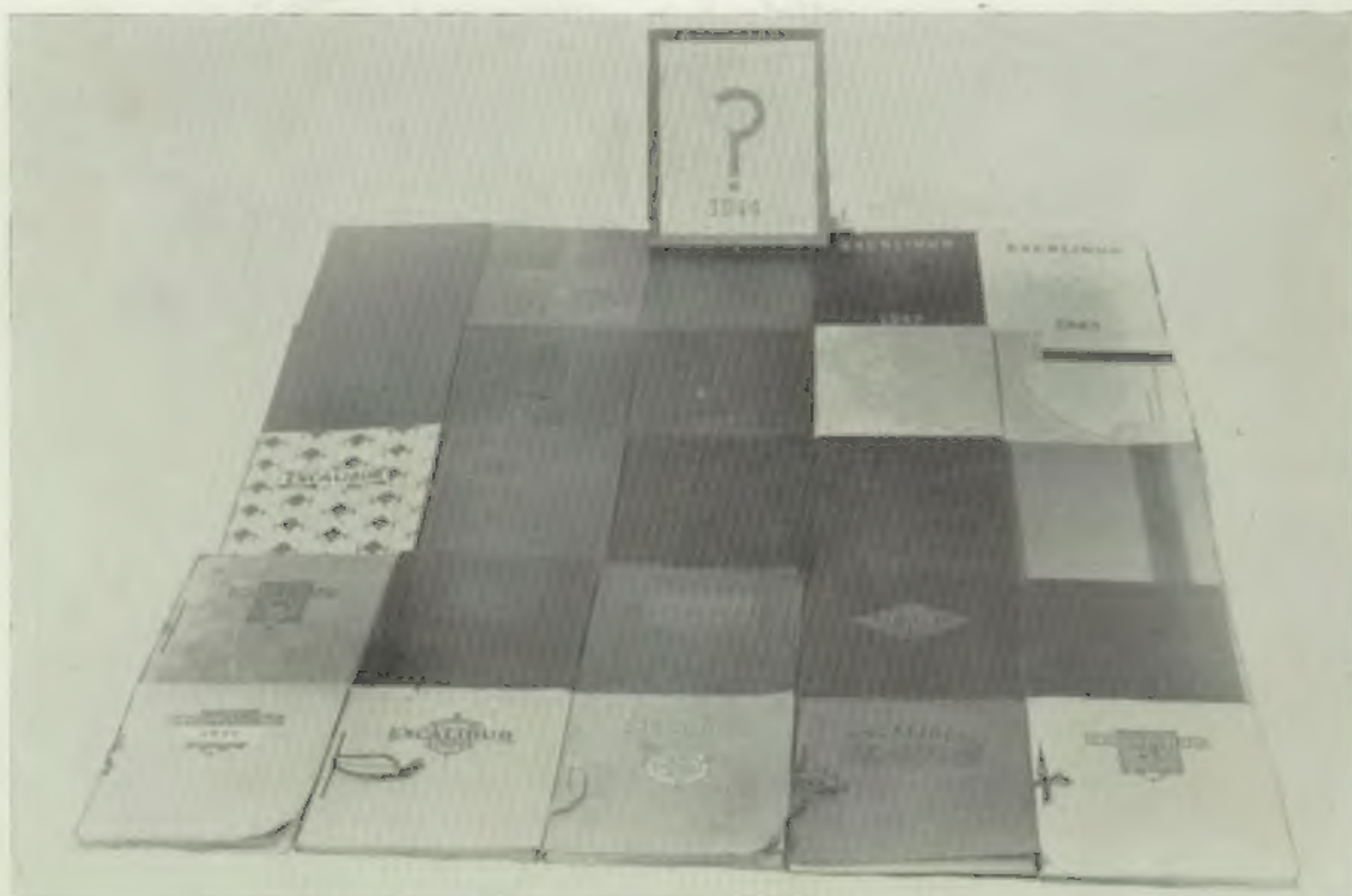
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The Excalibur is starting on its second quarter of a century. The above is an actual photograph of the twenty-five preceding editions.



The service flag hanging in the Study Hall has been dedicated to the members of the Van Wert High School now serving in the Armed Forces of our country. May this page always remind us of the sacrifices they are making and the services they are rendering.



A REPRINT OF THE STUDY HALL AS IT APPEARS IN THE FIRST EXCALIBUR



It is still the same Study Hall with the same clock on the wall. The seating arrangement has been changed so that the students face the west rather than the north. It will be interesting to observe what changes the next twenty-five years will bring forth.



We Dedicate—

This twenty-sixth Excalibur to our teacher and friend, Gerald D. Bowen, who answered the call of his country and now is a member of the Seabees. He was a member of our faculty for eight years, teaching the social sciences and English. He was enthusiastic in his support of athletics and he also directed the Junior Class plays.

We also dedicate this twenty-sixth Excalibur to all members of the Class of Nineteen Hundred Forty-four who are now and who will be in the Armed Forces of the United States.



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO ... AND NOW

We present herewith the twenty-sixth edition of the *Excalibur*, which is the twenty-fifth anniversary of our year book. Time has wrought many changes during this quarter century, and as we prepared this book for you we could not help but wonder what the next twenty-five years will bring. There have been many physical changes in the school plant. For example, our present Superintendent's office formerly housed the kitchen for the cafeteria, which was located in the balcony. A few years later the kitchen was again changed and was found in the basement where the present girls' dressing room is located. Several years ago the cafeteria was deemed unnecessary and was discontinued. The superintendent's office was recently enlarged, now occupying a former classroom. A reference library has been installed in the east end of the Study Hall. A complete new indirect lighting system replaced the original lights, and now the dark corridors no longer exist.

These are just a few of the changes, not to mention curriculum advancement, new equipment, new sports, and many other almost imperceptible changes.

We hope you will accept this book and get as much enjoyment from its pages as we have in preparing it for you.

Seniors





CLASS OFFICERS

President	Vernon Palmer
Vice President	Clide Ford
Secretary	Doris Green
Treasurer	Marjora Fiser

CLASS MOTTO

Today Decides Tomorrow

CLASS FLOWER	CLASS COLORS
Blue Morning-glory	Blue and White

The year of 1944 brings to a close four years of trials and tribulations for the seniors.

When we were freshmen we knew that we knew. As sophomores we didn't know, but we didn't know we didn't know. In our junior year, we didn't know that we didn't know that we didn't know. And now we're seniors and we still don't know, but we know that we don't know.

The boys in this year's graduating class have distinguished themselves by playing on championship football and basketball teams. Clyde Coon, Clide Ford, George Palmer, Lloyd Miller, Doris Green, and Vernon Palmer, Richard Wintzell, Jack Davis, Thomas Gallaway, Richard Showalter were on the football team, Richard Showalter was placed on all-state and Lloyd Miller (USMC) was given honorable mention on the all-state team. George Palmer, Clide Ford and Thomas Gallaway helped the basketball team to glory as district winners, the first ever for VWHB.

Seniors have kept the membership in the Girl Reserve and Hi-Y clubs high. Cabinet members in the G. R. from our class include Virginia Olberding, President, June Poling, Jackie Mahan, Barbara Schriener, Bonnie Preston, Eleanor Hall. About twenty girls from the G. R. aided in the fourth war loan drive by selling bonds in local factories, which was a great contribution to the drive.

The Hi-Y, too, is well represented with senior officers who are Allen Willmert, President, Vernon Palmer, Jack Clifton, besides a membership of about ten seniors. These two groups have done much in bettering the school and city.

This year more than ever before in the history of the school, students are working after classes and on Saturdays. The war is very close to us and we want to help in every possible way. Working seems a good way and our earnings are being saved and put into war bonds.

The senior members of the National Honor Society are Barbara Beard, Yvonne Leatherman, Earl Barson, Allen Willmert, Virginia Olberding, Dorcas Owens, Jack Clifton, Yvonne Gallapoo, Susan Goeke, Doris Green, Eleanor Hall, Mary Hofmann, Richard Ireton, Arthur Milligan, Mildred Richey, Bonnie Preston, Paul Ross, and June Waitt.

There are six boys from our class who are in the armed service and to whom, in part, this yearbook has been dedicated. Army Air Corps: Harlan Taylor; Army: Wayne Scott; Navy: James Miller, Harold Shaw, Elmer John Winters, Jr.; USMC: Lloyd Miller. Besides these fellows about eight more reserves are waiting call for induction. At least the boys don't have to worry about what they will do after graduating.

KATHRYN JOAN AGLER (Jo)

*I'm a girl to one who
And she's nobody's love*

H. Y. ; Girl Reserve; Excalibur Staff; School Quill Staff; Chorus 4; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert

PATRICIA JOAN BAILEY (Pat)

*I shab, trachom's her dish
A potato of the new dish*

Girl Reserve; Late Club; Band; Band Cabinet; Orchestra; Dances; Orchestra; Home Economics Club

SYLVIA RUTH ALDRIGHT (Sy)

*She's a lucky girl
Her hair is natural curl*

Girl Reserve; Excalibur Staff; Chorus; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert

GERALD EUGENE BAILEY

*He's quite dark, and mo'
He certainly seems shy*

ROBERT EUGENE ALLEN (Bob)

*He's a t'cher's son,
And a son of his town*

RUTH ALICE BALTZER

*She's and serious
It's happy she'll make*

Girl Reserve; Excalibur Staff; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals; Choral Concert; 4-H Club



DAVID BALYKAT (Dave)

*They say he's quite a baw,
At least some like that*

H. Y. ; Excalibur Staff; "Pride and Prejudice"; School Quill Staff; V. C. J. Chorus 2; Prom Committee; Class Motto, Flower and Color Committee; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals

DONALD PAUL BARBER (Don)

*This lad from T & I
Is tall and dark and shy*

EARL J. BARSON (Bar)

*He never lacks a pun
Has anyone got a gun*

H. Y. ; National Honor Society 3; "The Very Light Brigade"; "Pride and Prejudice"; Prom Committee; 4-H Club

PATRICIA ANNE BAXTER (Pat)

*Miss Baxter is a blond
On whom we all are fond*

G. A. A. ; G. A. A. Cabinet 4; Girl Reserve; Excalibur Staff; School Staff; Student Council 1, 3, 4; Chorus 4; Choral Concert

ROBERT LE ROY BEAMS (Beanie)

*He's really a swell guy,
This lad from T & I*

Student Council 1; Boy Rotarian

BARBARA LOUISE BEARD (Barb)

*She's a real beauty
And her name is Barb*

G. A. A. ; G. A. A. Cabinet 4; Girl Reserve; National Honor Society 3, 4; Excalibur Staff Editor; School Quill Staff; Student Council 4; "The Very Light Brigade"; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 1, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Class Motto, Flower, and Color Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; D. A. R. Consultant

**GENE BEHOLT (Bee)**

*This lad in basketball
Can beat them one and all*

V-Club; Student Council 4; Chorus 2
Prom Committee; Basketball

GAIL M. BECK (Becky)

*I'm a boy whose name is Gale
Is never seen to fail.*

Chorus 1, 2; Boys' Intramurals; "The Mikado"

JACK BELL (Jack)

*Jack Bell is a name
That's heard in every game*

Boys' Intramurals; Football 2

MARGARET ANN BERNHEISEL (Peg)

*Wherever she shows her face,
She brings up the place*

V-Club; Student Council 4; Chorus 2
Prom Committee; Basketball
Girls' Intramurals

RANDALL BLACK (Randy)

*What would cheerleaders do
Without his yelling too*

Prom Committee; Football 2; Boys' Intramurals

JACK BLUE (Pinkie)

*Although he seems quite blue,
He's always on the go*

Boys' Intramurals

DANIEL A. BRICKER (Bud)

*Though he is a brick
In class, Bricker's*

V-Club; Student Council 4; Chorus 2
Prom Committee; Basketball

ROBERT DEAN BRUBAKER (Bob)

*Though he is a brick
In class, Brubaker's*

V-Club; Student Council 4; Chorus 2
Prom Committee; Basketball

ROSE ELEAN BURLEY (Rose)

*Though he is a brick
In class, Burley's*

Chorus 1, 2; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals

KATHYON IRSE BUSCH (Katy)

*She's shy and retiring
We can't help admiring*

Excalibur Staff
Comics 1; Home

DOROTHY JEAN CANNY (Dot)

*If talents she has many,
Her instincts are accurate*

G. O. Reserve; Tyre Club; Band 1, 2
4; Prom Committee;
Home Economics Club

JACK KENT CLIFTON (Jackson)

*Wherever Jack will roam,
He's sure to make a home*

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; "The
Very Light Brigade"; Tyre Club; Band
Prom Committee; Ring and
Shaman; President
Orchestra 2;
Invitation Committee; Boy Rotation



MELVILLE COLE (Bud)

*He always comes to you
And never seems to be late*

LOREN COLLINS (Woodle)

*This lad we never met,
And never seems to be mad*

JUNE L. CONLEY (June)

*Of all the girls we've met,
She is the best of all*

Chorus 1; Boys' Intermurals; "The
Moodie" Choral Concert; Bascha

G. A. A.; Girl Reserve; Junior Staff
Senior Staff; Ch. 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1
2, 3, 4; Prom Committee
Junior Junior Vice President
Junior 2, 3, 4; Junior Orchestra
Ch. Intermurals; "The Moon
Choral Concert; Student Liaison

CLARE CARON (Connie)

*In school and in life
He's liked by one and all*

WILLIAM COTTERMAN (Bill)

*We know him
From everything we hear*

PHYLLIS CRYER (Phyl)

*Her hair of brightest flame
Is sure to win her fame*

Lyric Club; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Inter-
mural

"The Very Light Brigade"; Chorus 2
Prom Committee; Girls' Intermurals
Choral Concert



ROBERT DAVIDSON (Bud)

*Just give a sax to Bob,
And hear him make it whiz*

JACK LEWIS DAVIS (Jake)

*His smile is quite gay
And that we all can say*

JAMES RICHARD DAVIS (Jim)

*Jim's on all right chop;
We've seen he's no one's mop*

Club; Band 1, 2, 3; Prom Com-
mittee; Junior Orchestra; Football
Intermurals; P. E. A.

V-Club; Ch. 1, 2; Basketball 1
Football 3, 4; Boys' Intermurals; "The
Moodie"; Choral Concert

H. Y.; "The Very Light Brigade"
P. E. and P. E. A.; Band 1; Junior
A. C. H.

PAUL GENE DOUGAL (Mac)

*He's little with his might
And has no fear of his plight*

MARY ESCHBACH (Fische)

*Give her a basketball
He'll win as he can find*

MARGORA PATTINI FISER (Babe)

*Exactly like us she
And sweet as she can be*

G. A. A.; G. A. A. Cabinet; Girl Reserve
Band 1; Prom Committee; Home 1

Girl Reserve; "The Very Light Brigade";
Tennis; School; Student
Bookkeeper



CLARK FORD, JR. (Henry)

*Just look at Henry's head
You'll know his hair is red.*

V-Club, Prom Committee, Senior Staff, Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 1; Boys' Intramurals, Boy Res Basketball

GENE FOREMAN (Genius)

*He whistles like a bird,
The best we've ever heard*

TOM GALLOWAY (Tom)

*A strong and mighty lad
For that we all are glad*

Br-Y, V-Club, Prom Committee, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Football 2

WILLIAM O. FOX (Foxie)

*He's a storehouse full
He drives it with such skill*

PHILIP CLUTH (Flip)

*Flip's name is quite unique
It's sure to get him place*

Br-Y 4; Exalted 8 off "The Very Best of the Old", Band 2, Prom Committee

YVONNE M. GALLARDO (Gully)

*Her eyes of deepest brown
Are never seen to frown*

G. A. A., G. A. A. Cabinet, Girl Reserves Staff, Senior Quill Staff, Council 2, Chorus 1, 2, Prom Committee, Junior Treasurer; Girls Intramurals; Choral Concert; Student Librarian, National Honor Society

HELEN JEAN GRANT (Fuzzy)

*She's tall and moves with
And walks with careful pace*

G. A. A., Girl Reserves, Lyre Club, Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Band Cabinet, Prom Committee, Girls Intramurals, Home Ex-Lib Club; Band Manager

HOBBS STEVENS GREEN

*An old and good as gold
She'll be with you for good*

G. A. A., Girl Reserves, Exalted 8 off "The Very Best of the Old", "The Very Best of the Old", "The Very Best of the Old", Chorus 1, 2, 3, Prom Committee Secretary, Orchestra 3, 4, Girls Librarian, "The Morning", Choral Concert, D. A. R. Conductor, Student Librarian, National Honor Society

SUSAN ISABELLE GUCKE (Sue)

*Accomp
For all*

Exalted 8 off "The Very Best of the Old", "The Very Best of the Old", "The Very Best of the Old", Chorus 1, 2, Prom Committee Secretary, Orchestra 3, 4, Girls Librarian, "The Morning", Choral Concert, D. A. R. Conductor, Student Librarian, National Honor Society

HILDA ROSEMS GREEN

*If working she's not green
She crunches ways and means*

Girl Reserves, Chorus 1; "The Morning"

ELEANOR O. HALL (Ellic)

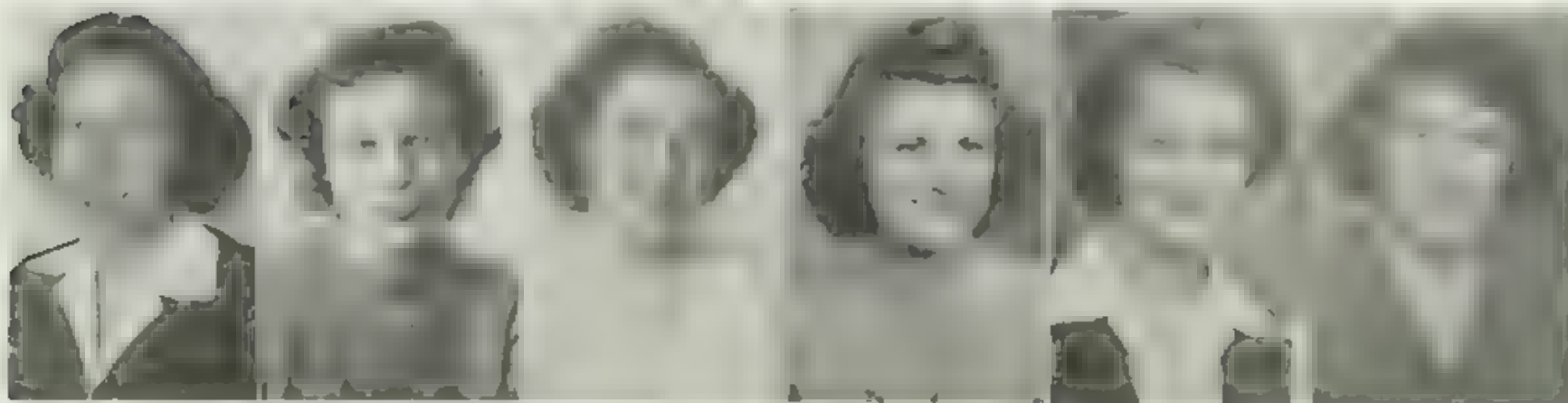
*Is Alfred she's a woe
She tells you kids, a*

G. A. A., G. A. A. Cabinet, Exalted 8 off "The Very Best of the Old", "The Very Best of the Old", "The Very Best of the Old", Chorus 1, 2, Prom Committee Secretary, Orchestra 3, 4, Girls Librarian, "The Morning", Choral Concert, D. A. R. Conductor, Student Librarian, National Honor Society

PATRICIA LOUISE HARR (Patty)

*It's not open mouth
Never she's*

Chorus 1, 2, Choral Concert



MARY E. HOFEMANN (Red)

*Though quiet, shy, to shy,
A maid of great dignity*

Chorus 3; Girls' Intramurals, Home Economics Club
National Honor Society

RETH HOESER

*At dancing Ruth's often
She does it the right way*

Girls' Intramurals, Chorus
G. A. A.

ROGER S. HUMPHREY (Roge)

*In the Air Corps he is found,
We hope not the ground*

Excalibur Staff, Junior Class Play Committee, Boys' Intramurals

RICHARD JOHNSON HUTTON (Dick)

*Nothing you want done
A Dick Hutton*

Excalibur Staff, Student Council and President, Boys' Boy Rotarian, Boy Scout Society

KATHERINE MAE JOHNS (Katie)

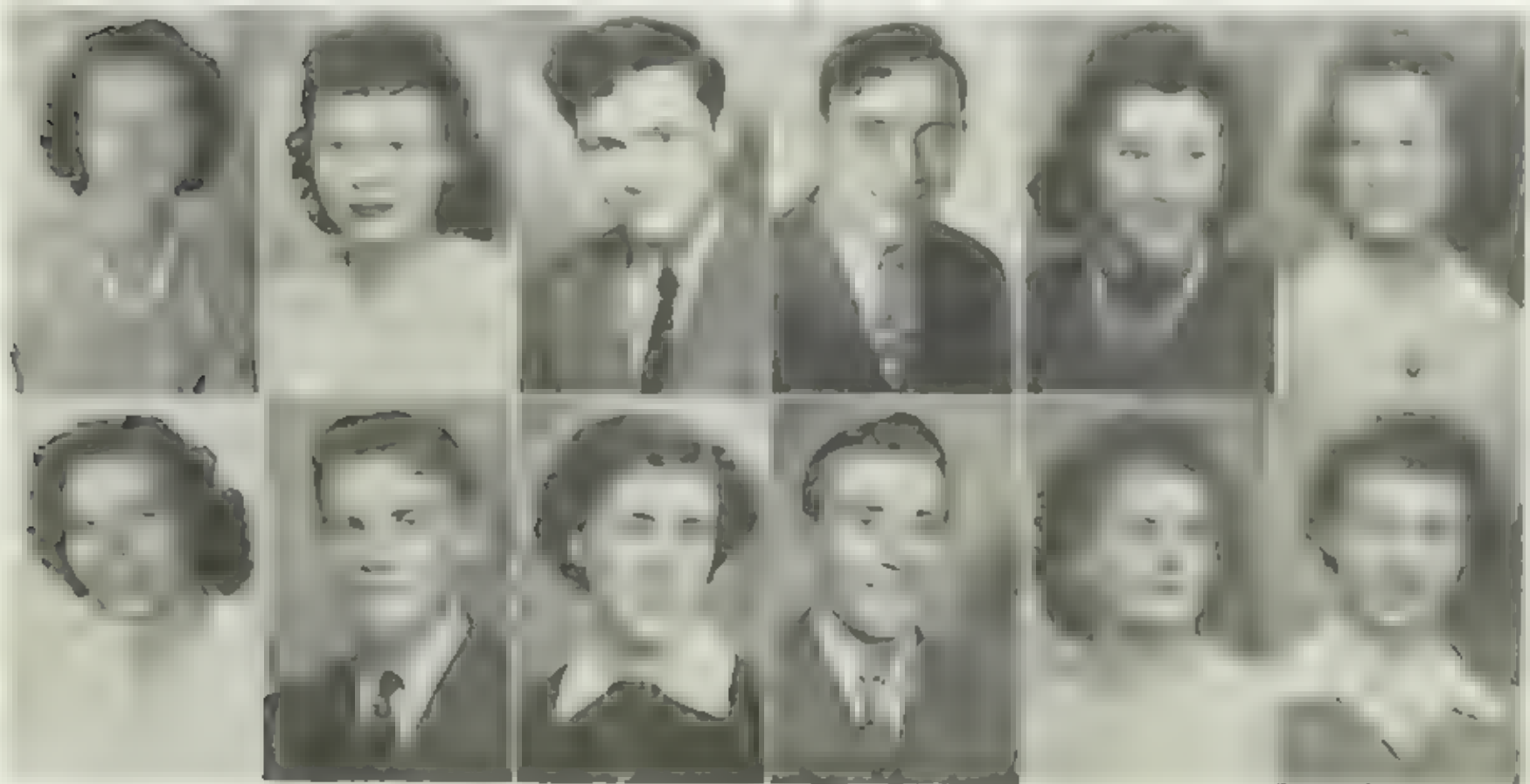
*She's small, dark and quick,
But fun she can't be beat*

Girls' Intramurals

THELMA LUCHE KIEHL (Sally)

*Sally's quite an athlete
Nerve a better one you meet*

Chorus 1, Girls' Intramurals, Girls' Intramurals



MARTHA KIMMEL (Pat)

*When pictures,
I know she'll be*

Girl Reserve, Staff, Lyre Club, Chorus, Girls' Intramurals, Concert

CLARENCE J. KLAUSING (Fannie)

*Fannie goes with A
But who could blame*

Boys' Intramurals, F. F. A.

EDNA LOUISE KUEWER

*Her pretty light brown hair
Has covered us all to stare*

Excalibur Club, Excalibur Club

JOHN D. KREIDER (Johnie)

*Though Johnie may be shy,
He catches every fly*

Boys' Intramurals, F. F. A.

YVONNE DEANNE LEATHERMAN

*(Fanny)
Though Fanny she was
For that she can't be less*

National Honor Society 3, 4, Staff, Senior Quill Staff, Light Blue, Chorus Committee, Chorus Secre- Girls' Inter, Chorus

GLADYS FAR LITTEH

*In her eyes a dream
Will look at you and beam*

Chorus 1, Girls' Inter

FRED W. LILICK (*Fritz*)

*Of Fritz we can say this,
He'll very seldom miss.*

Football.

RALPH L. LINTERMOT (*Curly*)

*Curly is always gay,
He is always sure to say.*

Boys' Intramurals.

VIRGINIA MCGREW (*Ginger*)

*When one is feeling low,
Her words make troubles go.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserve, Excilibur Staff;
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee;
G. H. Intramurals; Choral Concert;
Student Union.

JACQUELINE ROSE MAHAN

*She is a aunt,
A mighty cute.*

Excilibur Staff; Girl Reserve;
Society Staff; Scarlet Quill;
Preparedness; Chorus
Intramurals; Choral Con-

REBECCA MANSHIP (*Becky*)

*A friend to all is "Becky";
Not one would she neglect.*

G. A. A.; Girl Reserve, Excilibur Staff;
Scarlet Quill Society;
Intramurals; Choral

VIRGIN L. MAXON (*Slam*)

*Something is Maxon's and
Given her a special gift.*

Prom Committee; Band; Chorus 2; Prom-

JAMES MILLER (*Jim*)

*Here you will not find him
Because the Navy has Jim.*

United States Navy.

LEONARD MILLER (*Dummy*)

*Dummy is a Marine,
The best that's to be seen.*

United States Marine.

MARILYN M. MILLER

*Although she isn't tall
She is nice to one and all.*

Girl Reserve, Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral
Concert.

ARTHUR VINCENT MILLIGAN (*Art*)

*Drum playing is his line,
At this he's mighty fine.*

Hi-Y 3; Excilibur Staff; Lark Club;
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Captain; Prom
Committee; Play Committee; Boy Scouts;
National Honor Society.

JAMES H. MOORE (*Jim*)

*Though Jim is rather shy,
He's a cool as all guy.*

Chorus 1, 2; Choral Concert; Softball.

JOSEPH E. MORGAN (*Morgan*)

*Joe is quite a wit
He always makes a hit.*

Chorus 1, 2; Boys' Intramurals; Choral
Concert.



JERALD MUSTINGER (Jerry)

*He's a little but he's a g
And at once full of zip*

Boys' Intramurals: F H Club

VIRGINIA OYERDING (Ginny)

*long dark curly hair,
a an eye to stare*

G. A. A.; G. A. A. Cabinet
Reserves; G. I. Reserve
National H.
Staff; Scarlet Quill
ed 3, "The Very Light Brigade
and Prejudice", Chorus 1
Committee; Ring and Pin
Class Motion, Flew
in tee; Class Vice 1
Intramurals; Choral
Concert

DORCAS OWENS (Dork)

*though quiet in this class,
he always finds her class*

G. A. A.; G. A. A. Cabinet 1, 2, 3
Reserves; National Honor Society 3
Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill
ed Council 2; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4,
Prom Committee; Ring and Pin Com-
mittee; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Con-
cert; D. A. R. Concert

VERNON PALMER (Bernie)

*President in his rank
On him we ever bank*

H. V. 8, 4; V-Club; Student Council
1, 4; Class President 4; Football 3
F. F. A.; Boy Rotarian

GEORGIA MAY PIERCE (George)

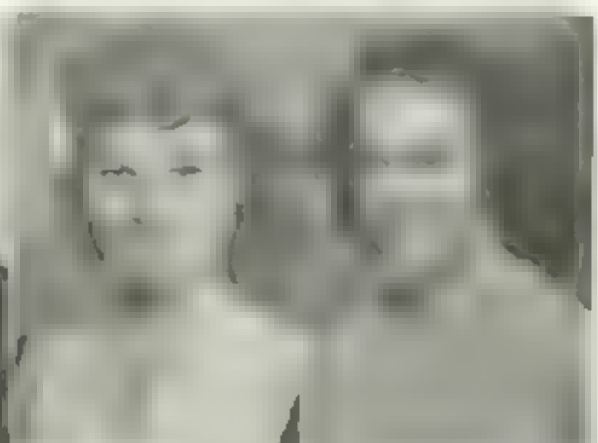
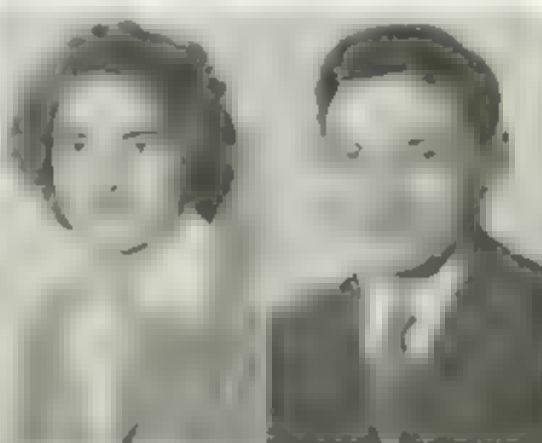
*A deep voice has this blond
Of whom we all are fond*

G. A. A.; G. A. A. Cabinet 3; Girls' Intra-
murals; Home Economics Club

JUNE ADIE POEING

*You, every one likes June
Your class she's a boon*

Girl Reserve; Girl Reserve Cabinet 4
Excalibur 8; "Pride and Prejudice"
Chorus 1; 4; Girls' Intramurals,
Choral Con



PAUL RICHARD POEING (Duck)

*Though not so very tall
He's liked by one and all*

BONNIE LEE PRESTON

*If you are out for fun
Miss Preston is the one*

Girl Reserve; Girl Reserve
1, Excalibur Staff, Scarlet Quill
Chorus 1, 2,
Treasurer 2; Girls' Intra-
"The M. K. S."; Choral Concert,
G. H. Club; National Honor Society

ROLLAND RISOR (Roose)

*He goes to T & I,
And he is quite a guy*

Football 1

MILDRED RICHEY (Mild)

*She always has her best,
You that are all at*

G. I. Reserve
Student
Honor Society.

BARBARA E. RISE (Barb)

*Her hair
Is quite*

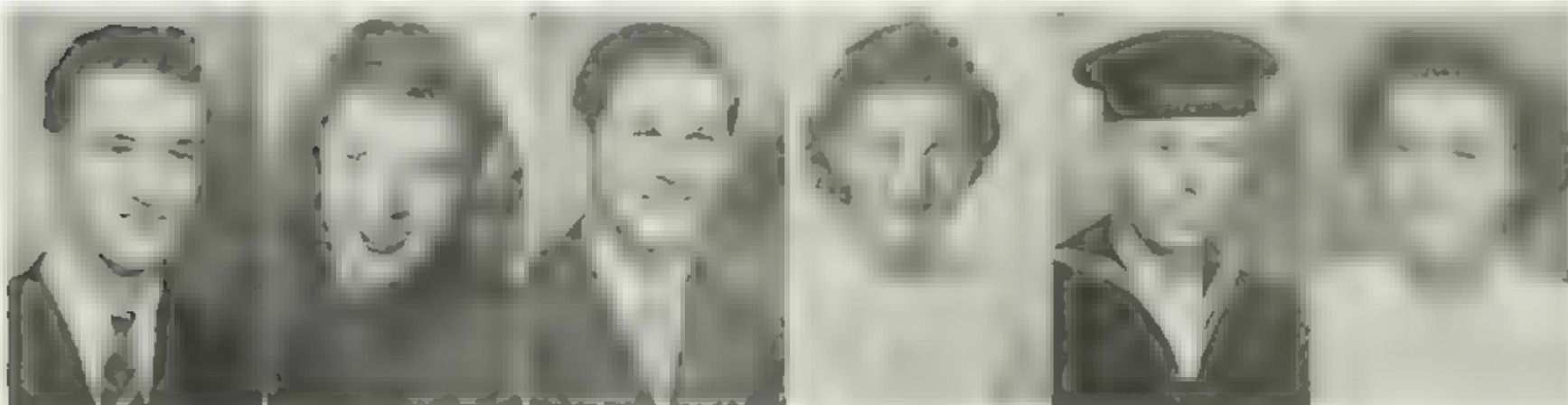
Girl Reserve; Chorus
Intramurals; Choral
Economics Club

Girls
Home

MARCELLA JEAN ROGERS (Espy)

*In sports and cooking food
We know she's a mighty good*

Committee



Paul J. Ross

PAUL FREDERICK ROSS

*Though new in school this year,
We're glad to have him here.*

H-Y 4, "Pride and Prejudice", Ch.
1, Boys' Intramurals; Choral Con-
National Honor Society.

CORALIE E. SEVERNS (Lorky)

*In active girl is she
And in the C. A. P.*

G. A. A.; Girl Reserves; Lyre Club;
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Or-
chestra 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 4; Girls'
Intramurals; Choral Concs.

BARBARA SCHREINER (Barb)

*Whenever we see Barb,
She's dressed in different garb.*

G. A. A.; Girl Reserves; Girl Reserve
Cabinet 4; Excalibur Staff; School
Girl Staff; Poetry Committee; Junior
Class Play Committee.

HAROLD SHAW

*Here I am a good
And not a bad boy.*

United States Navy

GAYLORD WAYNE SCOTT (Scottie)

*The Drum Major was he
And good as good now he.*

United States Army

HELEN SHINDLEBECKER (Tecky)

*Here Helen talks so fast
She never comes in last.*

United States Navy

RICHARD SHOWALTER (Dick)

*He's really great, a fine
He means the foot all kind.*

The Very Light Beyond
1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals;
H. Club

ISMA REBECCA SMITH (Becky Ann)

*Though Smith's her appellation,
She might upset the nation.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1, 2

BILL SMITH (Apple)

*A mopper was he
And good as good he.*

V-Club; Boys' Intramurals; Basketball
Managers 1

GLORIA STATH

Wichita

ETHEL MAE SUGER (Snookles)

*She's quiet and polite
And always very neat.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1

MARGARET ELIZABETH STEETER (Stet)

*Although she's here in poet,
The Nurse has her best.*

Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Chorus
1; Class Secretary 1; Student Labor Union



JAMES E. STOVER (Smokey)

*Tall and dark is Jim,
We are fond of him*

HS-Y 3, 4 Student Council 4, "The
Very Larch Brigade"

RONALD B. STUCK (Doc)

*Since Ronnie's name is Stuck
He always has good luck*

1, Band 1, 2, Boys' Intramurals
3, Student 1-

HARLAN TAYLOR

*This lad in basketball
Could top them one and all*

Army Air Corps

BETTY TOWSEY (Betty)

*This lass at basketball
Did top them one and all*

G. A. A. : Girl Reserves, Chorus 1, 2
Intramurals

MARIE TOWSEY

*In her there's no one soon
Of a friendly disposition*

EMMA LOUISE TRUAX

*she's sweet
none is her rival*

Chorus 1, 2 Choral Concert



JUNE WAITMAN (June Bug)

*Dark she's legs
Never stops.*

Excalibur Staff
The Very Larch
1, Girls' Intramurals
Student Librarian

National Honor Society

CLARA MARY WATSON (D)

Did you'll forget to mourn

Lyre Club, Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band
1, 2, 3, 4, Band Captain, Orchestra
4, Dance Orchestra 3, 4, Girls
Intramurals, Band Librarian

DOROTHY WALTERS (Dotty)

*Let's nice and be
Everything all in one*

Chorus 4, Choral Concert

BARBARA JEANNE WALGAMAN (Barb)

*She's leaving us this year,
And Georgia-bound, we*

Catalinet 3; Excalibur
let Quilt Staff; "Trade and
4, Junior 4
Girls' Intramurals
Choral Concert, Invitation Committee

PHYLLIS MARIE WEBSTER (Phil)

*I just got in Phil
I'm always going to*

G. A. A., Girl Reserves, Chorus 3 Girl
Intramurals Choral Concert

MARGARET EILEEN WHEAT

*She's sure to make a sweet
And this is all*

G. A. A. : Chorus 1, 2, 3 Girls 1
Intramurals Choral Concert

RICHARD WHITCRAFT (Buck)

*With pencil or with paint
He'll make you what you ain't*

Excalibur Staff, V-Club, Prom Court,
Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Boys' Intramurals

BARBARA LOU WINKIE (Barb)

*She does it best—'t all
She does it best—'t all*

G. A. A., Girl Reserves, Lyre Club, Band
2, 3, 4, Orchestra 1

BETTY JANE WILLIAMS (Shorty)



WILBUR L. WILLIAMSON (Peeper)

*Though Peeper is his
His statue's quite the son*

Football 1, 4, Boys' Intramurals

I. ALLEN WILLIAMS (Deer)

*He's liked by us
He's liked by us*

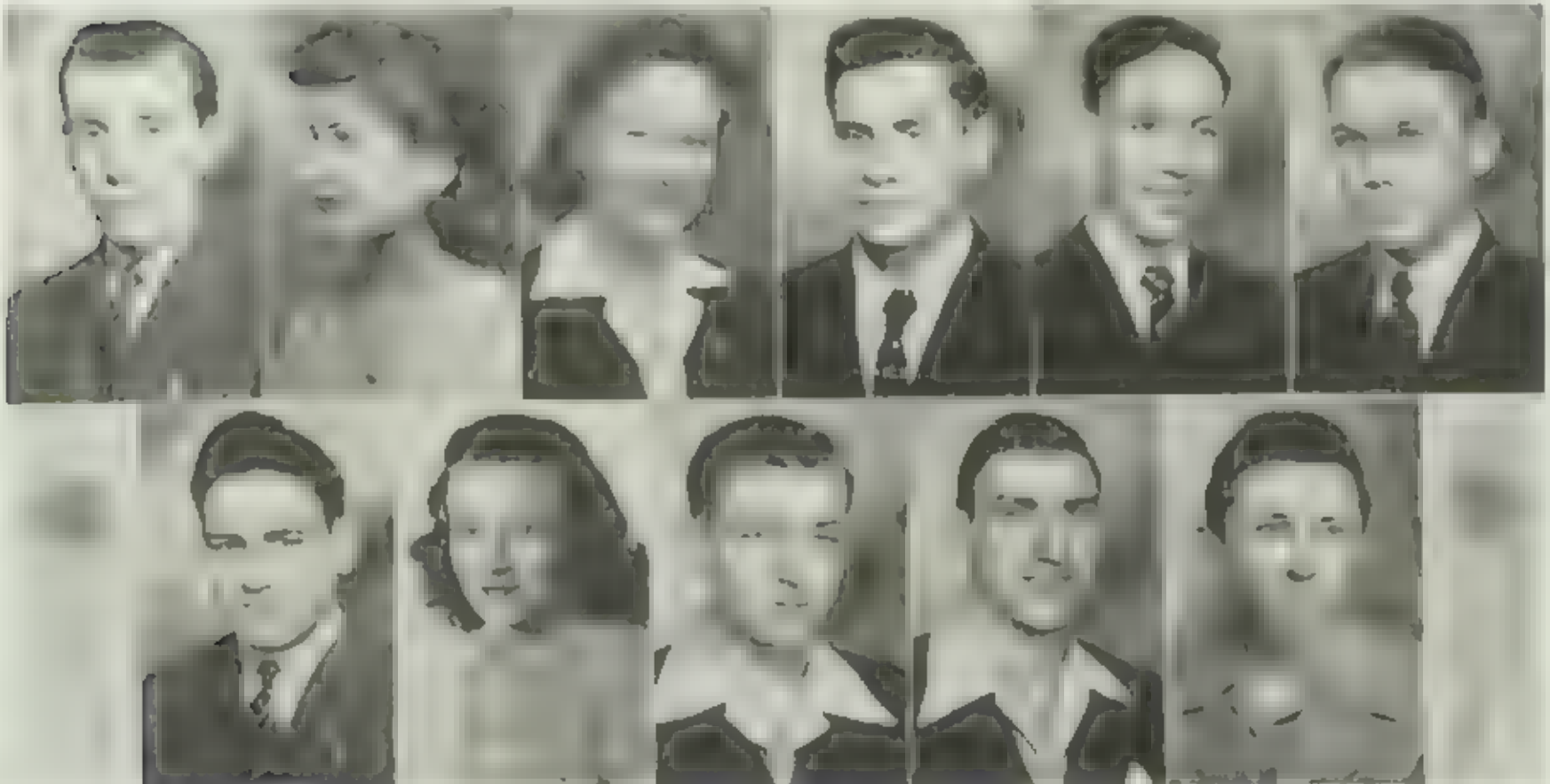
HS-Y 3, 4, National Honor Society 3, 4
Student Council 4, Excalibur Staff
Pride and Prejudice, "The Very
Light Brigade" Chorus 1, 3, 4
Concert, Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4
Concert

JAMES WINSLEY (Jim)

*Because he's a good friend
On how you can find*

HS-Y 4, Band 4.

Jim Winsley



LEONARD JOHN WINTERS

*I never mean to be
Out on the dock blue sea*

United States Navy

VIVIAN RUTH WISE (Liv)

*Though Vivian is quite
Her beauty takes the prize*

G. A. A., Girl Reserves, Excalibur Staff
Chorus 1, 2, Girls' Intramurals, Chorus
Concert, Student Librarian

DON YOUNG (Smoke)

*His name may be Smoke,
And not a joke*

Boys' Intramurals

DONALD G. YOUTZ (Don)

*When his school days are done
Then will we see his fun*

ROBERT ZUSSWEINER (Ziny)

*Let's all at once
On each day of the year*

Chorus, School 1, 2, Boys' Intramurals, Chorus, Concert

JUNIOR L. FILLER (George)

*Let's not like a boy
At this we're not a boy*

No picture



Last Will

and

Testament

Of the Members of the

Class of

Nineteen Hundred and Forty-four

VAN WERT HIGH SCHOOL

Van Wert, Ohio



SENIOR PROPHECY

Joan Agler is now a commercial advertiser for "Chubby Tots Frocks," a noted Paducah, Iowa, concern. Sylvia Albright's smiling countenance is seen on all the billboards over the country. She is the leading model for "Chubby Tots Frocks." Robert Allen has really left this world today two months ago and drew up the plans for the newest rocket ship, "Venus, Here I Come." He left yesterday for his first trip. Patrick Buckley now has his own radio show. Tommy Dornay started a business of his own and has entered and won a prize. Gerard Biney is now the leading star man for the Leo the Lioness. So far he has suffered only a few minor injuries (compound fractures of both legs broken neck spine vertebrae and various corpus) but he still is the proud owner of "The Purple Cow Dairy." David Balyeat is the head buyer for "Tri-Color Ties, Inc." Donald Barber is one of the trustees for the "Dear John Tractor Company." Earl Barson has really proved his worth—he is known to one and all as the second Valentino. He can currently be seen in the new version of the stage play "Roses Are Red Compared to Pink Carnations." Patricia Baxter has realized her life ambition; she appears as the *Before and After* for Super-Secret Hair. Leonie is expected to make your hair grow thirteen inches in a day—your money back. Robert Beane has been a high success ever since his book "How To Be a Bachelor and Take It," was published.

Barbara Beard had intended to become a lawyer but after the American Bar Association too many young men in the law school so she quit. She now is the manager of "Beads, Pet and Fish Shoppe." Gene Behrnt is the trainer of the colossal table-tennis trout, "The Wallopers." Do you remember when Gale Beck was one of the highest bowling scorers in Van Wert? Well, at the present time he's the world's bowling champion with an average score of 993.678 per game. Joanne Bernheisel's extraordinary lung power finally put itself to good use for she is now a Metropolitan Wagnerian Star. Peg Bernheisel is happily married, and, with her husband and six children, she has a wonderful time raising pink and white rabbits on a Montana Ranch. "Randy" Black deals exclusively in junk. His specialties are Model "A's" and 1929 "Chevies." Jack Blue works for the "Fuller Mop Co." and consequently travels quite a bit.

Daniel ("Bud") Bricker surprised every one. He decided to study mathematics seriously and at the present is very busy carrying on where Einstein left off. "Bob" Brubaker is a professional cheerleader with the "Dog Patch Crawlers," one of the nationally known football teams. Rose Burley runs a super-market in the suburbs of Convoy. It is revolutionary as it is more on the order of a cafeteria. Kathryn Busch, as you know, joined the WAVES after graduation and was shipped out of the country after a few weeks' training. Well, she liked it so well in the South Pacific that she married a native, and there she is to this day. Dottie Jean Canny always wanted a home of her own, so now she and Paul live happily in their little Mexican hacienda "Casa Blanca." Jack Chilton is a drum tester for "Nibbles Musical Instruments, Inc." They say that any drum that can stand up under his power can stand up under any man. Melvin Cline's head water box for the Cline & Cline Groves, Union Mills, was the object of his own special air traveling show. His specialty number is his trained pinching bugs. June Conley, well-known for her lovely voice recently won a National Hot Chutney contest. The judges agreed that her tomatoes were the finest. Clyde Coon entered into the competition with Bing Crosby (and we don't mean musically). He wants to make certain that football is continued at his Alma Mater. Bill Cotterman is one of the leading men as far as the radio industry is concerned. He is the Lone-Ranger's under-study. "Pud" Cryer's hair finally did her some real good in that she is now the glorious "Crown of Hair" which is seen in all the leading magazines to illustrate how wonderful "Mene Shampoo" is.

Bob Davidson and his sax "Glorrie" are world known. "Glorrie" not only is Bob's musical outlet, but she is also his dummy for his ventriloquist act. (Is Charlie McCarthy mad!) Jack Davis lost his heart to some brunette and for the last ten years he's been telling wine-lard around town that if Jack Davis wants a cake, he'll buy it, he'll order him a permanent position with station D&F as their "Lucky Hit" auctioneer. Paul Dornal joined the Navy to see the world and from latest reports he's still out seeing

Mary Jane Eschbach organized her own all-girl basketball team and they travel all over the country. Matjora (Babe) Fiser married shortly after graduation and now she is the glowing parent of a batch of little turtles. Gene Foreman is an engineer on the Pennsylvania railroad. He also blows three blasts as he goes through Vin Wert. Clyde Ford grew about twelve inches when he was twenty and at the present time he is the strong man for Bungalow Boos Circus. Ed Fox developed a new hamburger. Yvonne Gallapou was voted the "Perfect American Secretary" last year which goes to show that the small can be mighty. Tommy Gallaway took up *face-son* and now he's president of the National Farmer's Association.

Philip Gluth was a Chemist but he had a little trouble with one of his formulas and blew up a rather large laboratory. Since then he has been an artist from his profession. Sue Gocke has made dress designers. Nancy Temple's beautiful clothes are all creations by Gocke. Helen Grant has a much harder time than Babe Fiser because she's trying to raise a pack of Wolves. Some job Doris Green became so accomplished on her violin that she plays the violin in the Jacksonville Civic Orchestra. Hilda Green left town the summer after we were graduated and none of us have heard of her since. We heard she was a street car conductor. Eleanor Hall decided she wanted to be a librarian so she bought her own library and rents out books for the special rate of \$1.11 per book for 24 hours. Patty Hall has her own beauty shop and we hear her mud pucks are really wonderful. Mary Hofmann is Dean of Men for Prow and Harrow Agriculture School in Texas. Ruth Houser spends all her time reading and memorizing. She is determined to memorize the Encyclopedia Britannica and at the time of this writing she has only three volumes to go. Roger Hamrickhouse is now staff artist for the "Babes In The Woods Nursery School". Dick Heston has just been made Major General of our armed forces at Gogasto, East Africa. Catherine Johns is the new manager of the "We Dye Without Mess Laundry Shoppe". Just think she has to wash twice a day. Helma Knoll, because of her strong voice, is a professional screamer for "I Love a Mystery." Pat Kimmel, alias "Dave Said In His Last Letter" has become a professional filibuster for Congress. Clarence Klausung struck oil out in his back yard and now is known as America's No. 1 Playboy. Fear or Kiewer for the last eight years has been printing commercial signs in Shortland even though very few people are able to read them. John Kreider produced a "mosquit" grapefruit, and he's now called the second Ben Frank. Yvonne Leatherman made lifesaving her career, and she now owns a chain of outdoor swimming pools throughout Northern Canada and Alaska.

Gladys Leiter is an understudy of a script girl for G. M. G. Films Inc. Frederick Lallick always had a secret admiration for trains so now he's the conductor's assistant for Pastiman Cars. Ruffy Linternoot decided he liked Deepness so well that he finally made his home there. He runs a gasoline station for a living. Virginia McGrew always wanted to travel so she became a foreign correspondent. When last heard of she was trying to convert the South Sea Islands. Ingepoline Mitten always noted for her stunning clothes, now wears dungarees most of the time. Sue and "Shorty" work day and night trying to eke out a living on their two-acre farm. Rebecca Moxstup took a course in Public Speaking and since 1939 she has been giving lectures all over the country on "Once I Was Shy But No More". Virginia Maxwell finally settled in Kentucky where no one expects anybody else to have too much pep. James Miller liked the Navy pretty well but after the war he went prospecting for gold in the Rockies. We hear he hasn't had much luck. "Dreamy" Miller stuck to the Marine Corps and now he is a hard-boiled sergeant. He gets a promotion every three or four years. Marilyn Miller became a nurse shortly after graduating and is now occupied in restoring shell-shocked war veterans back to their normal mental attitudes. Arthur Morgan took up Home Living in college, and now he is the Home Ec. teacher at his Alma Mater. James Moore has his own business concerns. He trains Scotch Livestock for oat heads. Joe Morgan is happily married and, together with his wife and family, he runs a bakery in Muddpoint. Jera d Martzinger owns eight large farms and a small community is being started under his name. Virginia Ollendine and her husband are the proud parents of a whole set of Quiz Kids. In her spare time Greta presides over the Ladies. Art Doris Owens was recently made the editor of the Chicago Slambune. It's a very nice set-up because her husband is one of the candidates for mayor of "Big Town."

Underclassmen





Juniors

Row 1: Scott, Gault,
Dennis, McCarty, McClure,
Swisher, Brown, Smith,
Boyd, Downing,
Row 2: Brown, Shaw,
Dennis, Papp, Thompson,
Lind, Platter, Morgan,
Lind.

Row 3: Conrad, Hill,
W. W. Lee, O. S. Lee,
A. Lee, C. Lee, S. Lee,
L. Lee.

Row 4: P. Lee, J. Lee,
W. Lee, L. Lee, J. Lee,
J. Lee, S. Lee, J. Lee,
J. Lee, R. Lee.



Row 1: Rickard, Rice,
F. Lee, Knittle, Durham,
Eschbacher, Green, Dar-
meyer, Moore.

Row 2: Rice, A. Lee,
Kemp, Rice, Lee, C. Lee,
C. Lee, J. Lee, C. Lee,
Rice, L. Lee, C. Lee.

Row 3: Hill, Nelson,
Brown, C. Lee, R. Lee.

Row 4: D. Lee, J. Lee,
C. Lee, M. Lee, M. Lee,
J. Lee, S. Lee, L. Lee,
C. Lee.



Row 1: W. Lee, W. Lee,
C. Lee, F. Lee, C. Lee,
J. Lee, S. Lee, C. Lee,
J. Lee, A. Lee.

Row 2: M. Lee, R. Lee,
R. Lee, R. Lee, L. Lee,
L. Lee, W. Lee, C. Lee.

Row 3: M. Lee, R. Lee,
L. Lee, F. Lee, A. Lee,
S. Lee, C. Lee, H. Lee,
W. Lee, L. Lee.

Row 4: W. Lee, S. Lee,
R. Lee, C. Lee, C. Lee,
L. Lee, S. Lee, R. Lee,
M. Lee, S. Lee.



Row 1: C. Lee, Harper,
Baker, M. Lee, W. Lee,
C. Lee, C. Lee, C. Lee,
C. Lee, C. Lee.

Row 2: C. Lee, F. Lee,
H. Lee, S. Lee, C. Lee,
J. Lee, C. Lee, J. Lee, S. Lee,
W. Lee.

Row 3: H. Lee, R. Lee,
S. Lee, M. Lee, R. Lee,
C. Lee, R. Lee, J. Lee,
W. Lee.

Row 4: B. Lee, S. Lee,
S. Lee, L. Lee, J. Lee,
A. Lee, S. Lee, L. Lee,
L. Lee.

JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

A spectator in the halls of dear old Van Wert High one September morning in the year 1941 would have noticed something peculiar about the Junior Class. Compared to this bewildered group of weary students, however, it was a very happy class of 45.

After a few weeks, every one had recovered sufficiently to hold class elections, and we elected Jack Lininger, President; Junior Hisey, Vice President; Jack Fatum, Secretary; and Guy Boyer, Treasurer. Mary Dannecker, Patsy Hamilton, Bill Shreck, and Geraldine Becker served as our very able and worthy representatives to the Student Council.

Our additions to the football team were rich in quality, if not in quantity, and at the end of the year four freshmen boys were seen sporting numerals. The basketball team seems to have fared much better for it was graced with seven members of our class.

The girls were not left behind, though, for they were well represented in Girl Reserves and G. A. A. Several of them had accumulated enough points by the end of the year to receive G. A. A. numerals.

Now as each Freshman class had been in the habit of giving an assembly for the student body which had been attended to its day in courts, so upon that fatigued day we were judged, pronounced satisfactory, and surprised every one with the present of the Twenty-Cent Dollar War Bond from our class to the school.

After a short summer vacation, we turned up again (as the proverbial had penny does) but this time as sophomores. Jack Lininger again became President; David Summersett was our Vice President; Patty DeBolt, our Secretary; and Sue Pearson, our Treasurer. Patsy Hamilton, Winnifred Schaadt, Junior Hisey, David Summersett, and Angel Barrientos were elected to the Student Council.

At the end of the football season, Jack Lininger and David Summersett, manager, were made members of the "V" Club. A number of boys again went out for basketball and Angel Barrientos was made a member of the varsity squad.

Finally, we became upper classmen. We could now look with sympathy upon the poor, misunderstood freshmen.

We elected Dick Finch as President; David Summersett, Vice President; Patty DeBolt, Secretary; and Katherine Eschbach, Treasurer. Our representatives to the Student Council were Pat Hines, Patty DeBolt, David Summersett, Junior Hisey.

This year we fared even better in football and basketball. There were Juniors in the "V" Club. Namely, Jack Lininger, Dick Metzger, Bob Grandstaff, Paul Sherman, Gene Wable, Gene Miller, and David Summersett.

We also had three of our members on the varsity squad in basketball: Angel Barrientos, Bob Grandstaff, and Jack Monroe.

And, of course, at all these games we cheered. Dick Brubaker, a member in good standing of our class, was a very active member of the cheer-leading squad.

Since every junior class is expected to present a class play, we, too, came through with one. Our contribution to the drama was the three-act comedy, "Every Family Has One." Members of the cast were Winifred Schaadt, Billie Jean Brubaker, Bill Campbell, Rosalie Adams, Phyllis Burley, Patty Hines, Ilo Williamson, Richard Finch, Junior Hisey, Guy Boyer, William Soldner, and Dillon Rhodenbach.

So, as you can see, our first three years in high school have been very happy ones. We have enjoyed mixers, parties, chili suppers, pep sessions, football and basketball games, and all the other games connected with the school life.

Sophomores

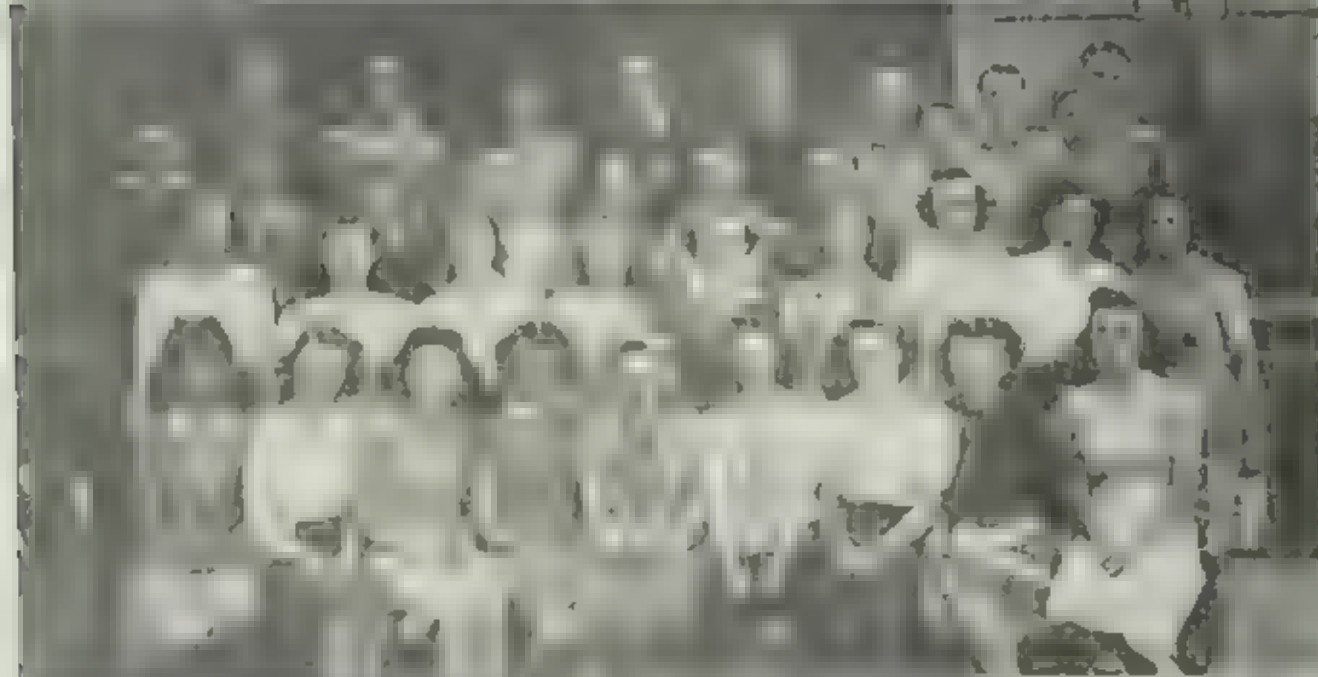


Row 1: Shaw, Denig, Auer, Wagoner, Grand, and Sons, Potter, Larson, Peterson, Young.

Row 2: Burt, Stacey, Finkbeiner, Jones, Moore, McAlister, Lewis, Wilkins, Conley, Seaton, Hest.

Row 3: Harmon, Underwood, Potts, Flanagan, Morgan, McDaniel.

Row 4: Waters, O'Brien, Evans, Wilkerson, Mosier, Jackson, Byrd, Cluth, Thornton, Miller.



Row 1: Siders, Martin, Bowersock, Allen, Atkinson, Davis, Longworth, Rasmussen, Kowal.

Row 2: Dixon, Scaryll, Scary, Myers, Hoffman, Keith, Bates, Doney, Farnsworth.

Row 3: Leonard, King, G. Kasper, Munn, Moore, Conley, Pohng, Bartlett, Bailey.

Row 4: Kemp, Reber, Starnes, Shewalter, Parnell, O'Connell, Wain, Carter.



Row 1: Spaulding, Baxter, Ackom, Allen, Ham, and Sons, Smith, Carpenter, McLean, Dyer.

Row 2: Kintz, Nilner, Hulse, Kruse, Martin, Phipps, Clifton, Mosher, Evans, Banger.

Row 3: Satter, Stork, and Sons, Wainwright, Wainwright, Fink, Kitchin.

Row 4: Porter, Stipe, Long, O'Neil, Brock, Smith, Bayless, Allen, Palmer, Grobb.



Row 1: Over, Wild, Wherry, Cough, Gubler, Lindall, Anderson, Maxwell.

Row 2: Curtis, Beck, Woodruff, Manship, Jones, Weber, Moore, Bricker, Schmitt, Parnell.

Row 3: Finkbeiner, Kess, and Allen, Kess, Davis, Finkbeiner, Finkbeiner, Rasmussen, Hest.

Row 4: Lutz, Link, Hest, Lutz, Link, Smith, Thomas, Moore, Finkbeiner, Parnell, Becker.

SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY

The class of '46 began its high school career on September 14, 1942. We went through the traditional process of getting in the wrong classes, forgetting locker combinations, and running to the office for blue slips. We spent the first few days wandering around wondering if it were possible to look as ignorant and out of place as we felt. Soon, however, that feeling wore off and we began to suspect that the teachers and so-called upper classmen might even be human.

The first problem that confronted us was to elect our class officers to help carry us through the year. We solved that by choosing Jim Showalter as President, John Holland as Vice President, Helen Knuse as Secretary, and Louis Dinkus as Treasurer. Our representatives to the Student Council were Mildred Becker, Jack Thornton, Richard Mosier, Raymond Riley, and Jim Showalter.

Nine of our number turned out for football and some proved to be first-class players. Those were Jack Thornton, Forest Thomas, Jim Showalter, Raymond Riley, Stanley Miller, Gene Kesler, Dick Hudson, Kenneth Bartlett, and Bob Balvead. We were also well represented in basketball. Those on the team were Charles P. Jung, Jim Showalter, Robert Baker, and Dick Baltzell.

Many of the girls were interested in the G. A. A. and G. R. and became active members. Robin Mosher was elected Freshman representative on the G. A. A. cabinet.

Mr. Mohr selected many of the Freshmen to participate in the Choral Concert on March 15.

One of our achievements as Freshmen was an assembly which we got together and produced. It was a variety of drama, the word is used loosely, and music. We heard many comments and were surprised to find most of them favorable.

On the whole, most of us enjoyed our Freshman year and looked forward to the coming term.

September 13, 1943, found us entering Van Wert Hi as Sophomores. It was a relief and pleasure to hand the Freshmen the "welcome" here instead of there and so on.

This year sees Jim Showalter again in the Presidency and John Holland as Vice President, with Mildred Becker as secretary and Gene Kesler as Treasurer. The members of the Student Council are Mildred Becker, Helen Knuse, Jack Thornton, Fred Grubb, Richard Mosier, and Jim Showalter.

Again our football record is good. This last season found Donald Ferguson, Gene Kesler, Olen Medaugh, Jim Showalter, Jack Thornton, and Forest Thomas on the gridiron, with Fred Wells as assistant manager. Showalter, Thornton, and Thomas are the letter men. Dick Baltzell, Fred Wells, Stanley Miller, Dick Mosier, Jim Showalter, Bob Morgan, Walter Putnam, and Gene Kesler are managers. And September basketball history.

The G. A. A. and G. R. still hold the interest of many of our girls. This year, Garnet Poling is librarian, Mary Lou Griffler is baseball manager, and Ruth Fordall is assistant basketball manager, serve on the G. A. A. cabinet, while Mildred Becker does her part on the G. R. cabinet.

Many of the girls turned out for intramurals and proved themselves good athletes as well as good sports.

The chorus still claims a large number of Sophomores who again took part in the annual Choral Concert. The girls' chorus has a sextet composed of Donna Miller, Phyllis Schaadt, Garnet Poling, Jane Woten, Robin Mosher, and Janice Purdy.

It won't be long now until our Sophomore days will be gone and we'll find ourselves in a Junior home room. However, we shall always remember the good times this year brought us.

A black and white photograph of a large group of young women, likely a choir or a group of students, posing in several rows. They are dressed in formal attire typical of the early 20th century.

A black and white photograph of a large group of people, likely a school class or a group of friends, posing for a formal portrait. The group is arranged in several rows, with some individuals standing in the back and others seated or kneeling in the front. The image is somewhat faded and has a vintage appearance.

Row 1: Helen Cole
Aunt: Isaac Benson
Cousin: George Ulrich
Mother: Ed

Row 2: Harvey Smith
Cousin: Mable Benson
Sister: Grace Apple
McGraw: Patricia
John: Scott

Row 3: Ken Johnson
Aunt: Jack Deane
Sister: Ruth Lee Moore

Row 4: Susan Moore
Jones: Mable Smith
Orlando: Wendell Benson

FRESHMAN CLASS HISTORY



On September 13th, 1943, the doors of Van Wert High School swung open to admit 165 Freshmen, who were from that day hence to grace the corridors of our fair school.

Sure we were very green, as green as Freshmen come, but we learned quickly.

A few of our number lost themselves in the rush and turned up in Biology instead of Business Arithmetic, but on the whole, we survived the first few days and came through with banner flying.

Our class election resulted in one of the members of our fairer sex holding the office of President. The lass was Virginia Phillipy. Charles Finch is our Vice President, Marcia Wyandt, Secretary, and David Hunt, Treasurer.

To represent us on the Student Council we elected Virginia Seavy, Betsy Feigert, Charles Raabe and Kent Speth.

At the present time the Freshman Class has contributed two and one-half jeeps to the war effort.

One of our Freshmen was elected Cheer Leader, "Corky" Clay.

On the football squad we were represented by Joe Keil, Charles Raabe, Donald Stover, Paul Young, Ronald Fetter, John Haller, Edward Dickson and Robert Jones.

In basketball, Max Barrientos, Joe Keil, Roger Allan, Dudley Stetler and James Lortz played on the Reserves.

Chorus and Band seemed to get their share of our illustrious (?) class. Although there was no Freshman ensemble some of us got to sing with the chorus in the Choral Concert.

We had a Clarinet Quartet composed of four Freshmen, Virginia Phillipy, Carol Harvey, Marilyn Carlo and Betsy Feigert. They played at our Christmas assembly.

A few of our number looked a wee bit green around the gills after evacuating the Biology lab, the day we dissected an earthworm. (Wait till they make mince-meat of a frog).

Revolutionary things are going on in 200. Magazines, radio, and phonograph have been in use. Also Mr. Rauch and Miss Hunter have taught us not to clutter and not to borrow paper or else.

The Girl Reserves have enlisted over 70 Freshmen girls in their ranks. The "Jorg Jump" was well attended by our feminine foolicers and their dates.

The G. A. A. "Bunny Club" had an unusual entertainment. A chorus composed of Freshman girls showed us a little "precision dancing." Yes, our class has beauty and talent as well as brains.

All of our teachers have given us a good start through the Halls of Learning. They have made our Freshman year a new and pleasant experience. We face the future with great hopes for the class of "47."



Toot toot

Pat

"Livy"

Out Dr. - M. J. R.

Where's Allen?

Profile

Amateurs
Our Pride

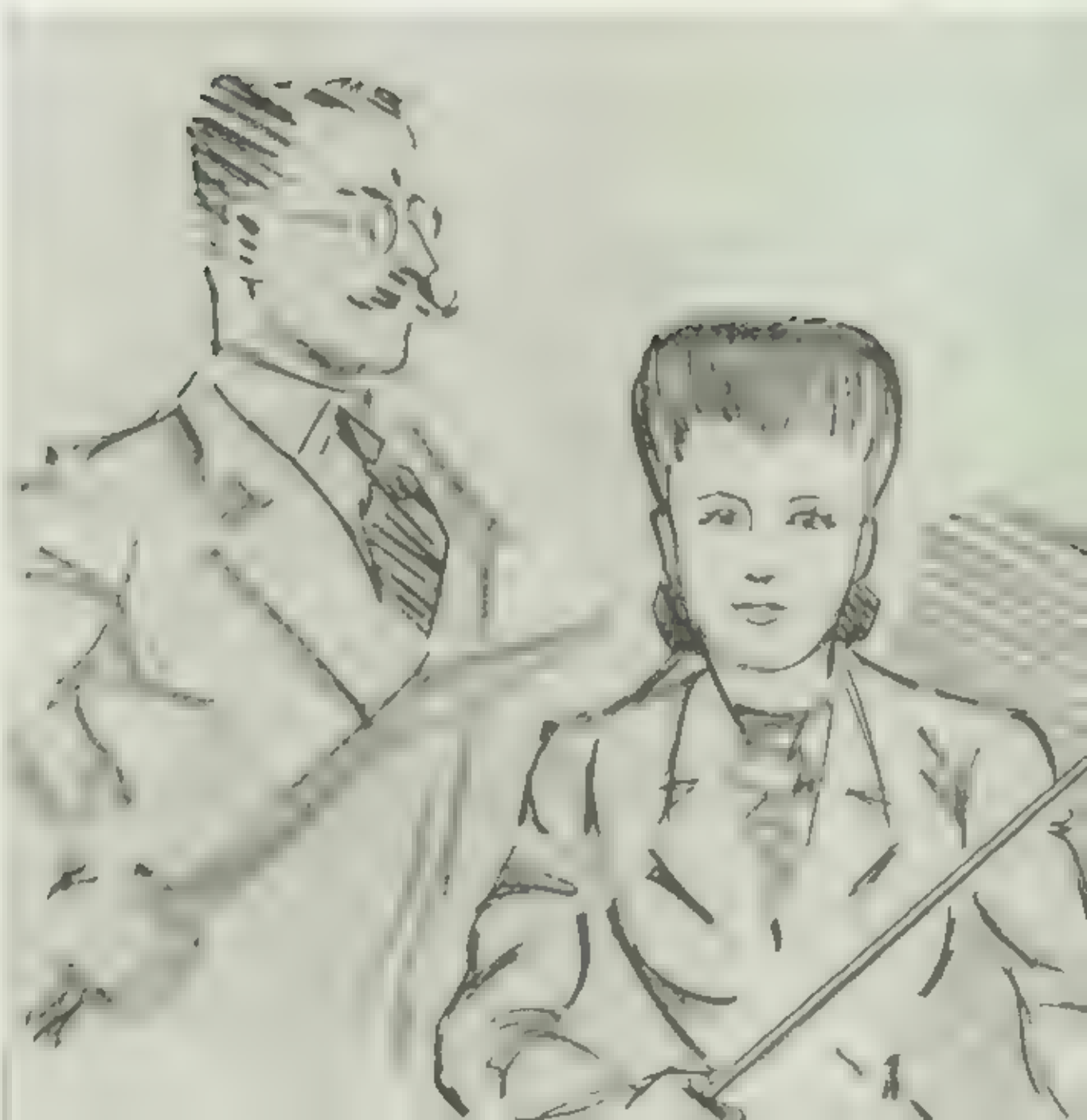
Seniors
Concentrating (?)

Jeepers
What again?
We're older, now

Oh Dick!
"Smiles"

Smiles
Mess - n - C

Faculty





Mr. Bowdle, Secretary-Treasurer



Betty Murray

Success is achieved by reaching worth-while goals which you are constantly striving to attain. May you always perform to the best of your ability the duties and responsibilities which are entrusted to you.

Seniors, we congratulate you on your graduation and extend to you our sincere best wishes.

C. P. Bowdle



C. A. Baden, Principal



Audrey Brad

Your high school days have been filled with experience and work. Nonetheless, they have been years of pleasure and happiness. The evidence of co-operation and teamwork with fellow students, faculty, and administration should be a source of satisfaction and an inspiration to greater achievements in the school of life.

C. A. Baden



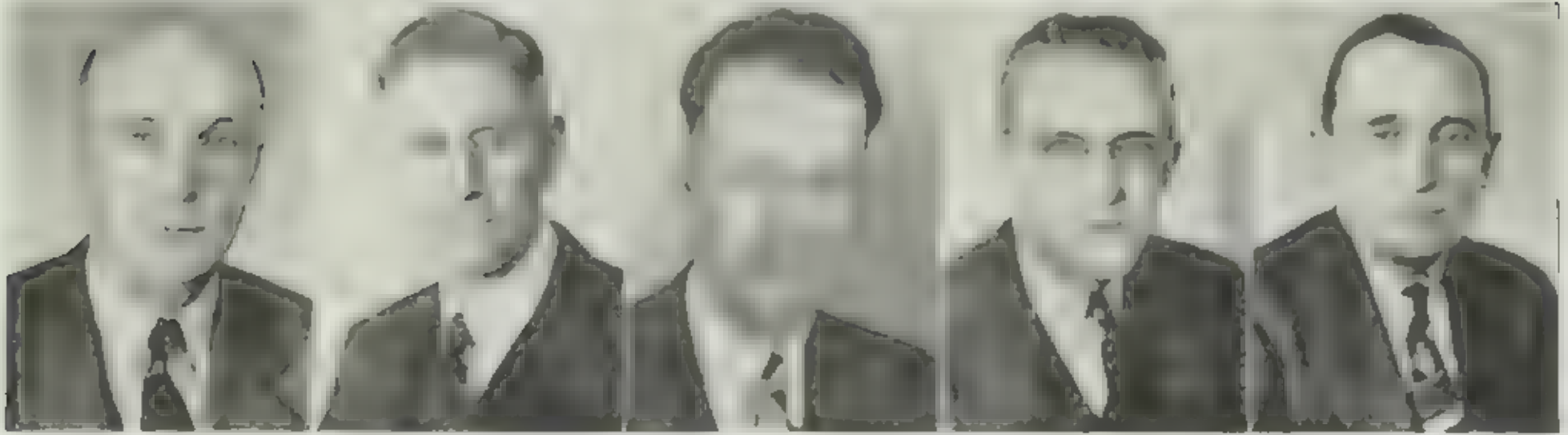
F. EARL SHAFFER



MARY KESTER

For a long time your course has been mapped for you by parents, teachers, and other advisors. Now you must plot your own course. May success attend you in all your endeavors.

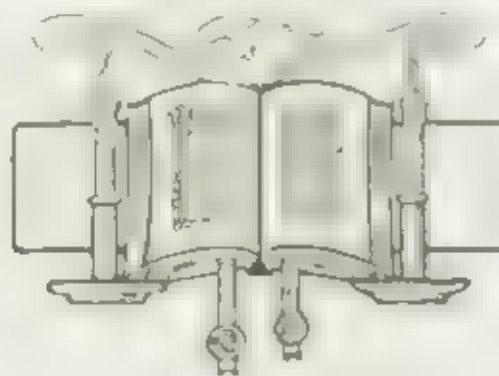
F. Earl Shaffer



BOARD OF EDUCATION

The citizens of Van Wert City School District have elected the above group as their representatives to administer the affairs of our public school system. It is gratifying to know that such men as these are willing to accept this responsibility without receiving compensation for their efforts.

C. W. Williman is President of the Board. Mr. Williman is the senior partner of the Williman and Sons Market. Dr. Maurice Forwaller, a local dentist, is Vice President. Mr. James S. Hall, Secretary of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association. Mr. A. Holmes Stoops, General Manager of the Stoops Packing Company, and Mr. Walter Tolan of the Van Wert Manufacturing Company are the other members of the Board.



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Miami University
Ohio State University
Chorus I, II, III, IV

RONALD PETERS

Ohio State University
Physical Education
Junior High School Teaching
Basketball Coach
Asst. Football Coach

R. P. RAUCH

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Ohio State University
Coordinator of Arithmetic
Coordinator of H. Y.
Supervisor of H. Y.

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Bowling Green State University
Ohio State University
English III
English IV
Home Economics II, III
Home Economics Club
Advisor



C. M. SMITH

Indiana State Teachers College
Indiana University
World History
American History
Civics
Economics

GILBERT SMITH

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Advanced Algebra and So
Geometry
Chemistry
Football Coach
Asst. Basketball Coach

H. B. SPIETH

Dehance College
Ohio State University
Bowling Green State University
Physics
General Science

HERBERT TODD

University of Toledo
Instructor of Auto Mechanics
and
Its Related Subjects

RALPH WEISSINGER

Heidelberg College
Physics
Chemistry
Mathematics
Instructor of H. Y.
Instructor of H. Y.

LEONARD WOLF

Dana's Musical Institute
Metropolitan School of Music
Band
Instructor of Music

Sport Preface

Athletics in wartime are essentially for the purpose of developing those attributes which go to make our youth better prepared to defend and promote our democratic form of life. Healthful sports are part of the American way of life—the source of strength, the aggressiveness, the will to win that makes America different than slave nations.

Coach R. L. Peters

In early days when our forefathers were winning the country, every man on the frontier was a rifleman and a wilderness hunter, fit and ready to be a warrior at need. In modern times the vital need for aggressive manhood is met and must be met by a National devotion to strenuous sports. We are reaping the benefits now, as a glance at any list of distinguished fighting men will show. I think this is not me to let down on the physical and mental conditioning of the coming generation.

This thought is well-expressed by the words of General MacArthur:

“Upon the fields of friendly strife
Are sown the seeds
That, upon other fields on other days,
Will bear the fruits of victory.”

Coach G. E. Smith

Sports





FOOTBALL TEAM

First Row: Charles Finch, Manager, Vernon Palmer, Bill Shreck, Richard Whitcraft, Graydon Jerome, Don Furgeson, Jack Thornton, Ronnie Fetter, Clyde Ford, Dave Summersett, Manager.

Second Row: Ronnie Oswalt, Dick Metzger, John Haller, Forest Thomas, Lloyd Miller, Gene Bebout, Richard Showalter, Tom Galloway, Fred Wells, Manager.

Third Row: Coach Ronald Peters, Gene Wable, Dave Balveat, Russell Buechner, Jack Lininger, Gene Miller, Jack Davis, Jim Showalter, Clyde Coon, Don Stover, Coach Gil Smith.

Fourth Row: Ed Dixon, Gene Kesler, Robert Jones, Rodger Palmer, Fred Neiford, Bob Grandstaff, Paul Shermann, Paul Young, Olen McLaugh, Charles Raabe, Joe Keil.

HAIL TO THE CHAMPS!!!

FOOTBALL

In the first game of the '43 season the Cougars played an inexperienced Bryan team and emerged victorious 33-0. Although Van Wert had only two weeks of practice they had their fundamentals well under control and scored virtually at will. Coon and Lininger divided the scoring with Coon crossing the goal three times and Lininger twice. Lininger also converted three points after touchdown.

The following Friday we journeyed to Dehance to play the Bulldogs who had not been defeated in their last fifteen games. The Cougars broke their winning streak by a score of 33-0. Coon headed the scoring with two touchdowns. Ford, J. Showalter, and Lininger each tallied once. Lininger booted the three extra points.

The Kenton Wildcats were our next victims. They were defeated 20-0 in a hard fought game at Kenton. All 20 points were made in the first quarter. The Cougars were badly handicapped by two penalties on the sidelines with penalties. Metzger, Coon, and J. Showalter each scored once. Coon and Showalter also plunged over for extra points. It was our first league contest.

In our next game we defeated the Bluffton Pirates 20-0 at Bluffton. It was the third consecutive out-of-town game. Lininger, Ford, and J. Showalter scored one touchdown each. Lininger booted the two points.

The Cougars hit their full stride against a strong Bellefontaine squad and defeated them 32-7. The game was played in a sea of mud with heavy rain falling during most of the game. This defeat by the Cougars was the only loss Bellefontaine suffered all season. By winning this game the Van Wert gridders recovered the highly valued traveling trophy. Coon scored twice, Lininger, J. Showalter and Dick Showalter each tallied one touchdown. Dick Showalter's touchdown came on a sixty yard run after a pass interception.

Van Wert met stiff opposition in winning over the Wapakoneta Redskins 20-0. After a scoreless first quarter Van Wert made two touchdowns on line plunges by J. Showalter and Lininger. Showalter romped across the goal line again in the third quarter for Van Wert's final score. Lininger's accurate kicking accounted for the three points after touchdown.

Avenging a bitter 21-0 defeat inflicted by Lima Central the previous season the Cougar gridders trampled the Dragons 18-7. The game, however, was not as close as the score might indicate. Lima was only able to gain two first downs during the entire game. D. Miller, J. Showalter, and Lininger each scored one touchdown.

Playing our final out-of-town game at St. Marys we defeated the Roughriders 26-13. The Cougars wasted no time scoring, making points in the first few minutes of play. Play was almost mostly a free-for-all over St. Marys' line back through the third quarter and gave the Cougars a real scare. The Cougars recovered in time to score again and put the game on ice. J. Showalter crossed the goal twice. Coon and Lininger each tallied once.

We defeated our traditional rivals, the Celina Bulldogs 18-0. This victory assured us of the league championship and an undefeated season. However, the conditions were in Celina's favor with heavy rain and sleet preventing the Cougars from capturing much higher score. Coon led the scoring with two touchdowns. Lininger scored the remaining six points on a plunge off tackle.



COACH RONALD PETERS

AND

COACH GILBERT SMITH

Varsity Basketball Team

First Row: Jerom, Wells, Mosier, Putnam, Grandstaff, Patel, ... Coach Peters
 Second Row: Caldwell, Behout, Showalter, Monroe, Burdette
 Third Row: Managers: Kesler, Case





CHEERLEADERS

Dick Brubaker, Cora Faye Clay
E. Bernheisel, Bob Brubaker

Reserve Basketball Team

First Row: Edith L. Morgan, John Morgan, Mary Willis, Cecil Scott
Second Row: K. J. Thompson, Mary Scott, Allen
Third Row: Managers, K. J. Case



BASKETBALL

The Van Wert High Cougars traveled to Greenville for their opening game and came out on the short end of a 36-33 score. Barrientos collecting 13 points was the leading scorer.

The following week the Cougars hit their stride and completely swamped an inexperienced Delphos Jefferson team 50-24. Every varsity player saw action.

Ada's Bulldogs proved to be a stumbling block in the Cougars' path, defeating them 40-39 in a heart-breaking game. The lead changed several times during the contest with the Cougars leading 39-38 just before the game ended. With just a few seconds remaining an Ada player sank a long one to win 40-39.

The Cougars next traveled to Bellefontaine to play the Chieftains, it was our first league game of the season. The Chieftains who had always been a jinx before proved no match for the alert Cougars who easily won 34-29.

Establishing a new scoring record the Cougars trounced the St. Mary's Roughriders 66-27. The Van Wert Cougars displayed an uncanny shooting ability by a large per cent of their shots.

On the night of January 21, 1944, Van Wert received a stinging defeat at the hands of our traditional rival, Celina. The Cougars kept pace with the Bulldogs first half but the large floor and Celina's streamline bankboards began to tell on the Cougars second half as they lost 35-21.

Playing a fine defensive game the Cougars easily disposed of Paulding 47-28. The Cougars allowed Paulding only 4 points during the entire first half.

The Cougars were defeated the following week 38-35 by a spirited Wapakoneta team. After leading by as much as 11 points the first half the Cougars faltered badly after the intermission. Galloway, who had been injured the two previous games, returned to score 17 points for the Cougars.

Bluffton was the next opponent and they handed the Cougars a 62-36 setback. Although beaten by 26 points Van Wert did very well. Bluffton was undefeated and had a 71 point average.

The next night the Van Wert Cougars journeyed to Lima to tangle with the South High Tigers. When the final gun sounded the Cougars were on the short end of a 47-29 score. The Cougars kept pace the first part of the game but the hard contest the night before had a telling effect.

The Cougars found the range against the Defiance Bulldogs and sent them back with a 33-25 licking. The Van Wert Cougars had little trouble dominating the visitors except in the third stanza when they outscored us 9-3.

Fading badly in the final minutes the Van Wert Cougars fell victims to Delphos St. Johns 24-23 at Delphos St. Johns.

In their final league appearance of the season the Cougars dropped a close game to the Kenton Wildcats by a score of 31-45. The Cougars had tough luck with two players fouling out in the first half.

In their last regular game of the season the Cougars trounced the Bryan Golden Bears 50-23 at Bryan. The Cougars opened fast and scored 13 points before Bryan could locate the basket. Showalter scored 22 points for an individual season scoring record.

TOURNAMENT AT DEFIANCE

The Cougars who hadn't played the quality of basketball all season of which they were capable in their stride at the tournament. The Cougars were at a disadvantage and lost 21-20 an average team.

In their first tournament match the Cougars drew Bryan. The game was almost an exact duplicate of the one they played at Bryan the previous week. This time the Cougars defeated them 48-20.

The Cougars were paired with Defiance in the semi-finals and had a difficult time disposing of them 26-23. Ford and Bebout were unable to play because of a temporary quarantine for scarlet fever.

In the finals the Cougars were matched against the Napoleon Wildcats. The Cougars climaxed their tournament play by beating them 26-25. This game will be long remembered by Van Wert sports fans. Bebout and Ford were not able to participate because of the quarantine.

It was the first time in the history of Van Wert High School basketball that the Cougars have won the district championship.

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT AT BOWLING GREEN

The Cougars drew Mansfield in the Regional Tournament at Bowling Green and made an excellent showing despite the fact they were defeated 39-28. They showed a fine fighting spirit.



GIRLS' SPORTS

The girls started a new school year as enthusiastic as ever for the forthcoming sports.

On the nice days of autumn each class had soccer teams which played their games outside. The sophomores took and held the lead in the tournament.

As winter approached the girls selected class teams for a volleyball tournament. The Juniors and Seniors had to share the championship in that sport.

Then came basketball, which is the favorite sport of most girls. Each class had four teams except the Seniors who had two teams. This tournament consisted of seventy-two games, and after they were all played the members of each class chose an all-star team to represent them in the final tournament.

Freshmen: I. Fleeco; C. Curtis; M. J. Finkhousen; L. Cooper; J. Bayles; C. Shaffer; P. Brake; Z. Davis; B. Feigert; J. Walters.

Sophomores: M. Pearson; P. Shaw; R. Tindall; M. Curtis; B. Bernheisel; M. Gribler; E. Snively; M. Cryer; K. Gaddis; S. M. [unclear]

Juniors: J. Dilworth; D. Campbell; G. R. [unclear]; B. [unclear]; P. [unclear]; D. [unclear]; J. Ladd

Seniors: S. Albright; M. Towney; G. Leiter; D. Owens; G. Pierce; P. Baxter; R. Manship; P. Bernheisel; R. Houser; M. Eschbach.

Each class played two rounds. The Seniors were undefeated the first round but in the second the Sophomores defeated them. The Freshmen being beaten twice by the Seniors who came to the rescue and took the Sophomores, so the Seniors were the proud "Champs" of the tournament.

When spring comes for good, baseball will start in full swing with many girls out for it.

The gym classes have varied somewhat this year with archery, horse shoe pitching, and shuffleboard, plus the four major sports usually exercised in these classes.



T & I BASKETBALL TEAM

BOYS' INTRAMURALS

The '43-'44 season of the boys' intramural program was one of the most successful in years. The intramural program was under the capable supervision of Coach Ronald Peters. Because of wartime conditions there was not the usual variety of sports, but the enlarged physical education program helped relieve the shortage.

Basketball, as usual, dominated the scene. At the beginning of the season there were two leagues, A and B; but later they merged into one league. The schedule was divided into two rounds with a playoff between the two winners. The Future Farmers, undefeated in seven games, easily captured the first round. The F. F. A. team was composed by V. Palmer, Davidson, Ferguson, Thomas, R. Palmer, and Grubb.

The second round was, however, a different story with the T & I Juniors tying the Aggies for first place. The Junior tradesmen eliminated the Aggies and earned the right to meet the F. F. A. in the playoff.

The Junior T & I continued their driving offense and defeated the Future Farmers in a tight, hard fought game. The champion team is composed of G. Miller, Vaske Smith, Sunderland, and Pollock.



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

The next event was a class tournament in which varsity players were allowed to participate. It was a handicap tournament in which the upperclassmen at the start gave the underclassmen a four point advantage. The Seniors drew the Freshmen and had little trouble disposing of them. The Juniors defeated the Sophomores with ease. The finals proved to be a thrilling contest with the Seniors leading at the half, but the underclassmen came through to win 15-10.

Although this tournament was the end of intramural play it was not the end of sports activity in the high school. Through the efforts of Coach Peters the physical education program was greatly enlarged both in the number of activities and the interest among the students.

The boys enjoyed wrestling, boxing, ping-pong, softball, and swimming was added this spring. To the boys expecting to join the armed services when school is out the gym classes had a special attraction. The classes went through the commando training course at regular intervals. It consisted of calisthenics, running the stadium course, climbing fences, jumping low hurdles, and the 100 yard-sprint to finish. It serves as a wonderful conditioner.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

On September twenty-nine the Girls' Athletic Association started the year anticipating a successful future under the capable leadership of Miss Geraldine Arnold, assisted by Miss Genevieve Borden.

In addition to the sixty old members, the Girls' Athletic Association inducted thirty new members on October eleven with a pot-luck supper, followed by a very impressive candlelight ceremony. The old members, each holding a candle, formed a V; and the new members entered the gym to the tune of "The 'V' Girl." The oath was then read to them by the President, Dorcas Owens.

During the year we had helpful programs on self-improvement, a pot-luck supper, skits, group singing and dancing, and a party in the spring.

On February eleven, before the Bluffton basketball game, the association sponsored a chili supper which went over very nicely.

The major sports in which the girls participated were Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, and Softball.

Biking, Bowling, Swimming, Hiking, Skating, Badminton, and Ping-pong are some of the minor sports.

The cabinet for the 1943-44 year consisted of the following:

President	Dorcas Owens
Vice President	Mary Eschbach
Secretary Treasurer	Pat Baxter
Program Chairman	Peg Bernheisel
Assistant Program Chairman	Barbara Beard
Historian	Garnet Poling
Basketball Manager	Peg Coupland
Assistant Basketball Manager	Ruth Tindall
Volleyball Manager	Ho Williamson
Soccer Manager	Katherine Eschbach
Softball Manager	Mary Lou Gribler
Biking, Bowling, Swimming	Eleanor Hall
Hiking, Skating, Horseback Riding	Marjorie Mavette
Ping-pong, Shuffleboard, Badminton	Yvonne Gallapoo
Song Leader	Virginia Olberding
Freshman Representative	Colleen Curtis

We had a very enjoyable year in G. A. A. and we sincerely hope you have as much success in years to come.

V-CLUB



Dave Balyeat

Lloyd Miller

Angel Barrientos

Jack Monroe

Gene Behout

Vernon Palmer

Jack Davis

Bill Siders

Clide Ford

Paul Sherman

Tom Galloway

Dick Showalter

Bob Grandstaff

Jim Showalter

Jack Lininger

Dave Summersett

Dick Metzger

Forrest Thomas

Gene Miller

Jack Thornton

Gene Wable

Clyde Coon—President



Sum

Make it with nuts
Bob

Gates

1-1-10

1-1-10

Glamour??

Gosh!

Oh Mr. Schaffer!

1-1-10

1 "Raws"

1-1-10

Lyre Club

Activities





VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The Van Wert-Marsh Vocational Agriculture Department has made a success of the past year.

Although new ideas are being offered to the farmer, it is sometimes difficult for them to see the new change. By teaching them to the farm boys now, farming in the future will be modernized. Farming is an old industry, but it has many changes in store for the future.

Mr. Leonard, the Vocational Agriculture Advisor, tries, in a four year course, to cover as much of the farming industry as possible. The first two years farm crop production and animal husbandry are offered with farmshop. The Junior and Senior Farmers select Farm Engineering and Farm Soil and Management which are necessary to complete the four year course.

Each student is required to have projects and supervised practices. These are all done outside of school time. This year they have selected sixty-seven projects and forty-eight supervised projects which they aim to accomplish.

From the Agricultural Department come many of the boys who take part in our major sports and activities. Those who played football are: Richard Showalter, Vernon Palmer, Donald Furgeson, and Robert Jones. In basketball: Richard Baltzell. Student Council: Vernon Palmer and Paul Grubb.

I give you an idea of what has happened to the boys who have graduated from this course. Eight are in the Army, six are in the Marines, three are in the Navy, two are in industry, five are overseas and six are actually taking advantage of their accomplishments and have their own farms.



TRADES AND INDUSTRIES

The Trades and Industries Department of the Van Wert Public School System was organized in cooperation with the B. V. Sh Foundation School on September 1, 1939.

Any boy who has successfully completed his Sophomore year may enroll in this course at the beginning of his Junior year.

Each department has its own room used for shop instruction, and boys have shop all morning. In the afternoon they have subjects which are related to their particular course. For the study of the allied subjects they have a well-equipped drawing room, related science room, and a library.

There are fifty-five students enrolled in the course. Twenty-nine are taking machine shop, twelve are taking electricity, and fourteen are taking auto shop.

The teaching personnel consists of H. C. Miller, Coordinator; H. L. Todd, Auto Mechanics; W. L. Leatherman, Electricity; and J. L. Brown, Machine Shop.

In football the T. & I. was well represented by Gene Bebout, Jack Davis, Clide Ford, Lloyd Miller, Robert Grandstaff, Russell Buechner, Paul Sherman, Gene Wable, and Gene Miller. Many of these boys composed the starting line-up.

Basketball didn't have such a large representation but it was just as important. The players were: Gene Bebout, Clide Ford, and Robert Grandstaff.

Robert Brubaker represented the T. & I. as cheerleader. He always did a very good job.

Wayne Scott, who always performed nicely, was the drum major for the high school again this year.

Above all we must not forget those boys who went to do a greater service by entering the Armed Forces: Dale Taylor, Lloyd Miller, Harold Shaw, James Miller, Wayne Scott, and Harlan Taylor.

In a school no larger than ours we are very fortunate to have a branch such as this.



STUDENT COUNCIL.

The members of the Student Council by classes are

Freshmen—Betsy Feigert, Virginia Phillipy, Charles Raabe, Virginia Seavy Kent Sprith

Sophomore—Mildred Becker, Paul Grubb, Helen Kruse, Richard Mosier, Jim Showalter, Jack Thornton

Junior—Angel Barrientos, Pat DeBolt, Richard Finch, Pat Hines, Elmer Hisey Paul Sherman, David Summersett

Senior—Robert Beams, Barbara Beard, Gene Bebout, Jack Clifton, Richard Irton, Arthur Milligan, Vernon Palmer, Jim Stover, Allen Willmert.

These members were nominated by their class presidents and elected by their home rooms. The presidents automatically become members.

The officers for the year were Jack Clifton, President; Elmer Hisey, Vice President; and Mildred Becker, Secretary.

The chairmen and activities of the five squads are listed below.

The chairman of the Social Squad was Barbara Beard. This squad has charge of all school social affairs.

The chairman of the Assembly Squad was Pat DeBolt. This squad supervises all assembly programs and pep sessions.

The Chairman of the Patrol Squad has the patrolling of the halls as its main duty. Allen Willmert was chairman.

The vital job of procuring money was under the jurisdiction of Richard Irton who was chairman of the Finance Squad.

Helen Kruse was chairman of the Courtesy Squad, whose duty it is to welcome and assist all new students and to send greeting cards to sick students.

The Student Council also sponsored its three big annual activities: The sale of War Bonds and Stamps, Eighth Grade Visitation Day, and the Activities Ticket sales campaign.

The Student Council wishes to express its gratitude to our faculty advisors, Mr. Gallapoo and Miss Armstrong.



SCARLET QUILL STAFF

"All copy on Friday!" Such was the call that went out on every other Friday in Room 101. On the Friday following this urgent call, the SCARLET QUILL staff members gathered in the Publication Office to prepare for the distribution of the finished product.

There were fourteen issues printed this year. With a circulation of 600, approximately 500 went to the student body, and the rest were put on file, sold outside, sent to service men, or exchanged with other schools.

Keeping in view the motto of the SCARLET QUILL, "For the good of the School, this year's staff has tried to find and print news stories and features which were of current interest to the student body and which they will enjoy reading in the future.

Upon publication of the first issue, a few of the staff members found that they particularly liked, and continued to contribute throughout the year. Each one on the staff had an opportunity during the year to try his hand at writing editorials, news stories, features, and headlines.

The 1943-44 staff included: Editor-in-Chief, Dorcas Owens; Joan Agler, David Bayart, Pat Baxter, Ruth Barber, Joy Cooley, Yvonne Calhoun, Doris Green, Eleanor Hale, Yvonne Leath, and Jack McLean. Robert Brown, Editor of *Excalibur*, and Bernard Preston, Editor of *Spectrum*, and Robert Williams, Editor of *Alpha*, were the faculty advisor.

The staff enjoyed publishing the SCARLET QUILL very much this year, and it is their most sincere wish that you received an equal amount of pleasure from it.



BAND

The H. L. Snow School Band is to be seen by appearing in the gymnasium all the time during the winter months.

The band will be seen in the gymnasium on November 15th. The band will be seen in the stadium. The senior band will be seen in the gymnasium on November 15th. The band will be seen in the stadium to the tune of "Over There" headed by the Corps of the Administration.

The senior band formed the word "Peace" and the junior band formed 1918-1919; and composed by the band, June Conley sang "This is Worth Fighting For." Then the band sang a cross and Barbara Bend tested "In Flanders Field." The ceremony was with taps.

A pep band of about fifteen members, played at all the games.

On March 27 and 28 Mr. Wolf presented his Annual Band Concert in the gymnasium.

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After the concert the seventy members of the band were entertained at a formal party, which was given in place of the Annual Band Festival, which has been cancelled for the duration.

ORCHESTRA

The Van Wert High School Orchestra spent another year in faithful practice and hard work under the direction of Mr. Leonard Wolf.

Music for both the Junior and Senior class plays and numerous other occasions was supplied by the orchestra. The orchestra has been very helpful in keeping the morale of the school.

Students who compose the Orchestra are: Patricia Barlev and Coralie Sevens, trombones; Doris Green and Allen Willmert, violins; Barbara Wilkie, oboe; Mary Lou Gribler, flute; Richard Green, cello; Carol Jean Harvey and Virginia Philpott, clarinets; Helen Bolinger and Joan Ladd, euphonies; Cora May Walter, French horn; June Cooley, string bass; Earl Zimmerman, trumpet; Jack Clifton, drums; and Sue Cocks, piano.





JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

"EVERY FAMILY HAS ONE"

On November 19, 1943, at 8:00 P.M., the class of 1945 presented the annual Junior Class Play in the Lincoln Auditorium.

The Reardon family were quite happy because Marcia Reardon (Billie Brubaker) was to become the bride of Sherwin Parker (Dillon Rhodenbaugh). Her mother, Laura Reardon, Winifred Schmidt) was especially overjoyed because the Parkers were such a blue-blooded family. They were on the social register! Mr. Reardon (Guy Boyer) was delighted because Mr. Parker (Bill Seldner) was thinking of taking him as a business partner. Nana (Patricia Hines) was the only member of the family who realized that her granddaughter's heart was tuned to that of handsome Tod Gahoway (Richard Finch).

A wedding invitation was sent to all the relatives including Lily Reardon, the black sheep of the family. However, it was a lucky thing that Lily (Peg Coupland) came because she convinced the Parkers that the Reardons were a completely crazy family and they decided to take their darling son back home. Nana then contrived to get Marcia and Tod together, and succeeded very nicely.

Before the play ended it was learned that the Lily who responded to the invitation was not the same Lily who was the family black sheep. This fact was of great interest to Wally Reardon (Junior Hisey) the son of the family.

Penelope, eleven year old daughter of the Reardons (Rosalie Adams) and Essie, the maid (Jo Williamson), supplied the laughs throughout the play. Phyllis Burley, who portrayed Mrs. Parker, was very convincing as a middle-aged snob.





SENIOR CLASS PLAY

"PRIDE AND PREJUDICE"

The '44 Senior Class presented "Pride and Prejudice" as its farewell performance on April 28, 1944.

The setting is laid in England during the last decade of the Eighteenth Century. Grand antique furniture and colonial Eighteenth Century costumes left the audience with the impression that they had really lived in the Bennet's time. Dick Irton's wig and mustache were real which helped to make the play authentic. The play takes place in a small town just fifty miles from London, Longbourn, at the turn of the eighteenth century. The cast chosen from the try-outs is as follows:

Mrs. Bennet (Doris Green) fair, fat, and forty-five; and Mr. Bennet, her husband (Dick Irton) figure and scheme ways of which they can get their five daughters married off to handsome and wealthy gentlemen. First there is Jane Bennet (Ruth Baltzell) the oldest and most beautiful of the daughters. Then Elizabeth Bennet (Jackie Martin) the second daughter, not as pretty and intelligent as her sister but remarkable for her quick wit and brilliant intellect. Next Kitty (Joan Perry) the next in age, pretty and peevish; and Mary Bennet (Barbara Benson) the third in line with a taste for music and the least attractive of the five sisters. Then Lydia Bennet (Barbara Wiegman) the youngest daughter, spoiled and headstrong, full of mischief and full of vitality. Outside the family are Charles Bingley (Allen Willmert) a wealthy and agreeable young bachelor; Fitzwilliams Darcy (Paul Ross) Bingley's friend, proud and haughty; Caroline Bingley (Virginia Ollerding) Bingley's handsome sister, but ill-natured, her manner much more formal than that of the Bennet's; Captain Wickham (Earl Barson) fascinating, but insincere, a young army officer, exceptionally good looking; William Collins (Jim Davis) a pompous young rector, extremely conceited, about 25 years old; Hill (David Balycat) the Bennet's butler; Lady Catherine De Bourgh (Lenora Hall) Darcy's aunt and a formidable woman of sixty with a commanding

A capacity audience attended the play and seemed to enjoy it thoroughly.



CHORUS

This year the Van Wert High School Chorus was composed of three separate groups. These were the freshmen, the sophomore, and the junior-senior choruses. There were also boys' and girls' organizations and various quartets and sextettes.

The chorus sang old, well-known carols for the Christmas program.

The annual choral concert was presented on March 14 and was well received. Besides the entire chorus of 115 voices a group of junior high school pupils gave several selections. The following program was given by the high school chorus:

Mixed Chorus—Beautiful Savior, Christianser; The Crimson Rose, Clokey; My Love Dwelt in a Northern Land, Elgar; Water Boy, Pitcher.

Boys' Chorus—Winter Song, Bullard; Shadow March, Cain; Oh, Miss Hannah Deppen.

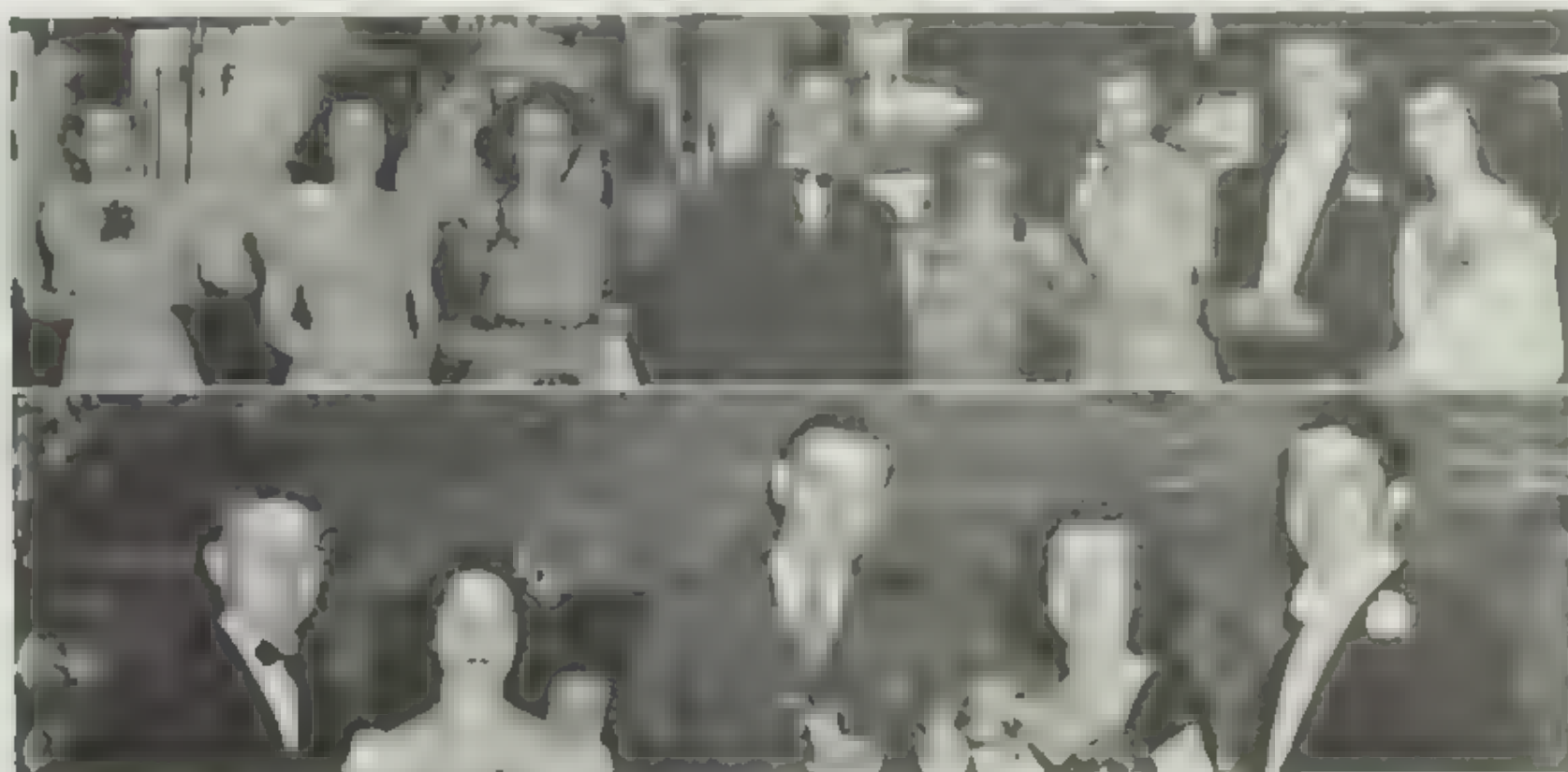
Boys' Quartet—Little Close Harmony, Grabel; Look Away to Heaven, Herbert.

Girls' Chorus—Calm Be Thy Sleep, Cain; American Prayer, Stock-Rose; Snow Legend, Clokey.

Boys' Quartet—Kentucky Babe, Grabel; I Had a Dream, Spaeth.

Mixed Chorus—There Are Such Things, Waring; Dark Water, James; Spirit of the Lord Done Fell, Cain; Tradi Nuka, Withol; Ode to America, Cain.

Vocal music in Van Wert High School is under the able direction of Mr. Harold Mohr.



JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

The Junior-Senior Prom was held on May 21 of last year in the Lincoln Auditorium. The festivities began at 8:30 with a novelty Grand March in the shape of a V led by Pat Baxter and Clyde Coon. Then Clyde Coon, on behalf of the Juniors, gave an address in which he welcomed the Seniors. Charles Zinsmaster, Senior Class president, responded, thanking the Juniors for Prom. This was followed by the singing of the Alma Mater, led by June Conley.

The auditorium was decorated to represent an old colonial garden with greenery all along the outside of the gym adding greatly to the atmosphere. On the stage the front of a very attractive colonial mansion was pictured. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served from a log cabin in one corner of the gym. At the other end was a lovely garden with an old fashioned gazebo and a fountain. The gazebo was decorated with the garden accommodated those who didn't care to dance. The garden was decorated with red strips of crepe paper and in the center were suspended many small lights.

Mac Finch and his orchestra from Kenton furnished excellent music for the evening. In the playroom nets and games were provided for those who wanted a diversion.

The Juniors thought hard and worked several months so that Prom would be long remembered by both classes, especially the Seniors.

The dance ended at 12:30. Slowly the crowd diminished and then every one realized that Prom for 1943 was over.



EXCALIBUR STAFF

The conditions brought about by the war had their effects on the Excalibur. A shortage of zinc used in making plates has reduced the number of pictures. The scarcity and cost of paper has also reduced the number of pages. However the members of the Staff are grateful that we are able to publish the Excalibur this year.

The Staff is deeply indebted to Mr. Gallapoo, our advisor, for his patience and helpful advice. The solutions to many difficult problems were made easy by suggestions from him. We are likewise grateful to Miss Betty Heuter, our English advisor for her grammatical assistance.

The following students are the Excalibur Staff members:

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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Early in the year the National Honor Society elected officers for the present school year. They are Yvonne Leatherman, president; Earl Barson, vice-president; and Dorcas Owens, secretary-treasurer. Other members elected last year were Barbara Beard, Virginia Olberding, and Allen Willmert.

On Tuesday, May 9, a very impressive ceremony was held in Lincoln Auditorium at which time the new members added their names to the list of the most illustrious students of by-gone years. The new members are Seniors—Jack Clifton, Yvonne Gallapoo, Susan Cocks, Doris Green, Eleanor Hall, Mary Hofmann, Richard Ireton, Arthur Milligan, Mildred Richey, Bonnie Presto, Paul Ross, and June Waitman; Juniors—Joanne Becker, Billie Jean Brubaker, Patty DeBolt, Richard Finch, Edmer Hisey, Winnifred Schaadt, and Carolyn Wyatt. We congratulate these new members.

Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service are the four principles of the National Honor Society. We feel sure that the members will live up to the standards of the high ideals of this society long after they have graduated. The keystone and flaming torch are the emblems of the organization. Scholarship and Character contribute to build a strong keystone, and Leadership and Service help us to carry the flaming torch, which lights the way to loyalty, honor, unselfishness, and high ambitions for our school.

We take this opportunity to pay tribute to Miss Hall, our very able advisor. Her great encouragement and her untiring effort to carry on the National Honor Society and its high standards is greatly appreciated by the members of this organization.

THE GIRL RESERVE CLUB

"Ready for Service," the objective for the year, was well carried out by the Girl Reserve Club of 1943-44. Making bandages for Red Cross, repairing toys for children, Christmas caroling, making service men's scrapbooks, and helping with publicity for the school and Y. W. C. A. are some of the accomplishments of the Girl Reserves.

A Lovely Mother and Daughter tea was held at the Y. W. C. A. in October to open the G. R. year. This was followed by an Open House, an evening of food for all prospective members. Then after the induction service the club settled down to its service projects and regular meetings with speakers, debates and discussions. The "Jug Lamp," the Girl Reserve social event of the year furnished a good time for students of the high school.

The Easter assembly was very impressive. Each year it is sponsored by the G. R., and this year it was especially impressive. Arranged by Mary Dannecker and a committee, the program consisted of an address by Rev. Murtz, hymns by the students, selections by the choir, and a candlelight procession.

The Girls Reserves, who are the junior members of the Y. W. C. A., meet twice a month, Monday evening at 7:30. They are affiliated with both the Y. W. C. A. and the high school. The club is under the leadership of a president, council and speakers. Following are the officers for this year: President, Virginia Oberdane; Vice President, Winifred Schmidt; Secretary, Berne Preston; Treasurer, June Poling. The various chairmen of committees are: devotions, Mary Dannecker; publicity, Barbara Schreiner; program, Eleanor Hall; courtesy, Mildred Becker; social, Jacqueline Mahan. The sponsor is Miss Betty Hueter.



HI-Y

This year the whole tempo of the school has increased and this change of pace has been manifest in the activities of the Hi-Y.

Of the three officers, Allen Willmert, President; Vernon Palmer, Vice President; and Jack Clifton, Secretary-Treasurer, only the President and Secretary-Treasurer were able to attend Camp Nelson Dodd this summer.

Vernon Palmer and Richard Finch attended the Ohio Area council at Columbus during Thanksgiving. The Van Wert Club has also been host to two district councils.

The program this year has been quite different from former years in that, because of the war, out of town speakers are unobtainable and local men are extremely busy. Nevertheless we had several faculty members in as speakers and held several excellent discussions ranging in subject from Frank Sinatra vs. Bing Crosby to questions concerning the United States and our part in the war and peace to follow.

As a community service project, the Hi-Y sponsored a Halloween Party for the grade school children of the city to help keep them off the streets and out of mischief.

The Hi-Y also had its own Halloween Party and annual Ladies' Night Party. It is needless to say a good time was had by all.

The Hi-Y gave its annual Thanksgiving assembly and assisted the G. R. in sponsoring a school mixer.

The biggest project of the Hi-Y this year has been a campaign to get the students to write to the service men.

The Hi-Y gives a vote of thanks to our faculty advisors, Mr. Gallapoo and Mr. Mason, and the local Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Mr. Grubb, for their help and guidance.

Taken all in all, this has been a busy year for the Van Wert Hi-Y.

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

The Home Economics Club is composed of the Home Economic classes and any other students of Van Wert High School who wish to join. There are twenty-two members.

Officers for this year were: Thelma Kiehl, President; Marcia Morgan, Vice President; Joyce Frick, Secretary-Treasurer; and Miss Mary Sawyer, Advisor.

A candle light meeting was held at which the new officers were installed and the new members initiated.

The club meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. The Executive committee meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month. This committee is made up of the officers, advisor, and three members chosen from the club.

The club consists of four different classes, each having its own problems. The first class has lab problems. This prepares them to have the appropriate clothing for laboratory work. The second class has problems in food planning and food preservation problems. The third class has problems in home management. The third class studies tailoring, home management, and home care of the sick. Class number four studies family relations, home planning, and home equipment. The classes as a whole have been studying food rationing carefully.

Money needed for the advancement of the club has been raised by operating a refreshment stand at all of the home football games. Plans were made to re-decorate the serving room with this money. If it is found impossible to purchase the equipment needed, the money will be invested in War Bonds.

The club's belief is not "all work and no play" because they have had many potlucks, teas, and other parties.

Several delegates from Van Wert's Home Ec Club attended the District Home Economics Meeting at Celina, Ohio, and the Ohio Home Economics Association at Columbus, Ohio.

F. F. A.

The Van Wert Future Farmers of America, the organization for students of vocational agriculture, has completed another successful year. We elected Vernon Palmer, President; Jerald Muntzinger, Vice President; Robert Davidson, Secretary; Richard Poling, Reporter; Richard Showalter, "Watch Dog"; and J. H. Leonard, Advisor.

This summer two of our boys from the Van Wert-Marsh Chapter attended Youth Camp located at Leesville Dam. Vernon Palmer, our Senior Class President, was elected District Vice President of the Ohio Organization of Future Farmers of America.

There were also six state farmers elected: Vernon Palmer, Kenneth Holland, Richard Longworth, Robert Davidson, Jerald Muntzinger, and Oscar Hoffman.

Greenhand, Future Farmer, State Farmer, and American Farmer are the four ranks which a boy may achieve during his high school career.

Last summer the Van Wert Chapter won the Ohio State Chapter Contest.

We have spent \$3500 for War Bonds during the past year.

We hold meetings once a month with a guest speaker for each and a group of boys in charge.

The Chapter has two teams in High School intramurals. In December, 1943, the Club made a broadcast over the Ohio State University Broadcasting Station, WOSU.

The Chapter also initiated four honorary members. These men, selected because they have aided the organization in some way, are Lewis Cooper, F. E. Shaffer, E. F. Ireland, and Holmes Stoops.

Altogether there are thirty-three members in the chapter, twenty-nine of whom are in school.



Summer
Pals (?)
Oh my No. 18's!

Bonnie
Show-off

Them were the days
Now, they're Seniors

Big mans
Times have changed

Winter
Left holding the pot

Bum(p)s on a log

8:29

Where's the ball?

BACCALAUREATE SERVICES

Van Wert High School
Sunday, May 28, 1944—7:30 P. M.
Stadium

PROGRAM

Processional, "Marche Noble"	Bach
Van Wert High School Band	
Invocation	Dr. E. F. Sawyer
"Faith of Our Fathers," by the audience	Directed by Harold E. Mohr
Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"	O'Hara
Van Wert High School Choir	
Scripture Lesson	Rev. Charles T. Martz
"Bless The Lord, O My Soul"	Lucas
Van Wert High School Choir	
Baccalaureate Sermon	Rev. Kenneth S. Leary
Benediction	Rev. Fred Ross
"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"	Lutkins
Van Wert High School Choir	
Recessional, "Marche Courageous"	G. E. Holmes
Van Wert High School Band	
Van Wert High School	
Wednesday, May 31, 1944—6:00 P. M.	
Stadium	

COMMENCEMENT

PROGRAM

Processional, "Pomp and Circumstances"	Edward Elgar
Van Wert High School Band	
Invocation	Rev. F. I. Willmert
National Anthem, by the Audience	Directed by Harold E. Mohr
Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
Trombone Solo, "At Dawning"	C. W. Cadman
Patricia Joan Bagley, Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
Quartet, "In The Merry Spring"	Ravenscroft
Pat Kimmel	Allen Willmert
Eleanor Hall	Ronald Stuck
Barbara Beard	Paul Ross
Virginia Olberding	Dick Ireton
Class Address	"Beyond The Horizon"
Mr. Arthur C. Horrocks	
Presentation of Class	Mr. C. A. Baden
Principal, Van Wert High School	
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. C. W. Willman
President, Board of Education	
"America," by the Audience	Directed by Harold E. Mohr
Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
Benediction	Rev. V. I. Sullivan
Recessional, "University Grand March"	Edwin Frando Goldman
Van Wert High School Band	

SCHOOL CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 13—Welcome Freshmen!!!
- 14—We miss those Seniors of last year, but the Freshmen are a large class.
- 15—Cheer leader tryouts—14 contestants yell their lungs out.
- 16—4th day of school!!
- 17—First Football game; Van Wert 33, Bryan 0.
- 18—Ah, sleep once again!
- 19—Church—because it's Sunday.
- 20—Freshmen *still* wonder what it's all about.
- 21—Second week of school.
- 22—First day of autumn (Fall to you).
- 23—Ran into a Freshman that I knew.
- 24—Football, Van Wert 33, Defiance 0.
- 25—Another Saturday.
- 26—Homework at the 11th hour.
- 27—Day of Atonement?
- 28—Only 88 shopping days till Christmas.
- 29—Wednesday—Stores close this afternoon.
- 30—Last day of September.

OCTOBER

- 1—Football, Van Wert 20, Kenton 0. Mixer.
- 2—Recovery from a big evening.
- 3—Day of rest.
- 4—G. A. A. hike at Willow Bend.
- 5—Getting used to the idea of going to school at 8:30 a. m. 5 days a week.
- 6—Did it rain today?
- 7—Gosh! Home work!!
- 8—Football, Van Wert 20, Bluffton 0. Class Officers elected.
- 9—Some one probably had a date.
- 10—"I met her on Sunday."
- 11—Do I have to go to school?
- 12—Columbus Day—Hi-Y.
- 13—No Hi-Y meeting.
- 14—Barbara Waugaman's Natal day.
- 15—Football, Van Wert 32, Bellefontain 7; also first issue of *The Scarlet Quill*.
- 16—Hit Parade—Ah Sinatra!
- 17—Church again.
- 18—Army day—ooh, you men!
- 19—Assembly at Lincoln, Science Demonstration.
- 20—Only 66 shopping days till Christmas.
- 21—Tomorrow is last day of six weeks.
- 22—Football, Van Wert 21, Wapak 0.
- 23—Rationing starts next week.
- 24—Fewer steadies this year.
- 25—Have you been to the Rendezvous?
- 26—Hi-Y.
- 27—"Smokey" S. and Dorcas O. have been seen together a lot lately; by the way, old chappie, how did you like *your* grade card?
- 28—Football, Van Wert 18, Lima Central 7.
- 29—Vacation (North Western Ohio Teachers Association Meeting at Toledo).
- 30—Teachers are still gone.
- 31—Halloween—It would have to come on Sunday!

NOVEMBER

- 1—All Saints Day.
- 2—More and more Home Work.
- 3—School started at 8:30 a. m. and let out at 3:45 p. m.
- 4—Happy Birthday! It must be somebody's birthday.
- 5—Football, Van Wert 26, St. Marys 12.
- 6—Got up at 6:30, watered the chickens, fed the hogs, etc., etc. (Who am I kidding??)
- 7—Tired after yesterday's work.
- 8—Start of 9th week of school.
- 14—Sunday, as usual.
- 15—Recognition Assembly for football squad.
- 16—School is *dull* isn't it, but then there was Hi-Y tonight anyway.
- 17—More and more H. W. (Home Work).
- 18—One week till Thanksgiving.
- 19—Junior Class Play "Every Family Has One."
- 22—Girl Reserve meeting.
- 23—Hi-Y.
- 24—Thanksgiving Assembly by Hi-Y.

- 9—What! you weren't prepared in English? (Confidentially neither was I.)
- 10—Fourth Ward Operetta.
- 11—Armistice Day. Hot Dawg No School!
- 12—Football, Van Wert 18, Celina 0. Also *Scarlet Quill*.
- 13—Just finished reading my Quill.

- 25—Thanksgiving Day. Yippie, no school.
- 26—Vacation.
- 27—Gorged myself on turkey sandwiches.
- 28—Dismal Sunday.
- 29—Cloudy today.
- 30—Hi-Y.

DECEMBER

- 1—Wrote a letter to Santy Claus.
- 2—23 shopping days 'til Christmas.
- 3—Dance at the "Y."
- 6—Rain today.
- 7—Anniversary of Pearl Harbor.
- 8—Received grade cards.
- 9—Wonder if Santy has that letter yet?
- 10—Basketball, Van Wert 23, Greenville 36.
- 11—Worked hard!
- 13—More School.
- 14—Only 7 more days till Christmas Vacation.
- 15—First Ward Operetta.

- 16—Choir practice.
- 17—Five days till Christmas Vacation.
- 18—Christmas rush—everybody working.
- 19—Snow day again.
- 20—Christmas issue of *Quill*—6 pages!!
- 21—First day of Winter.
- 22—Dreaming of a White Christmas.
- 23—Christmas Program today—Hot Leggity, no more School this year.
- 24—Last minute shopping.
- 25—Merry Christmas.

JANUARY

- 1—HAPPY NEW YEAR.
- 2—Sure glad I don't have a hangover!
- 3—Ah! Well, Vacation must end sometime.
- 4—Miss Hueter was speaker at Hi-Y.
- 5—G. A. A. meeting.
- 6—Epiphany.
- 7—We beat Bellefontaine 31-28.
- 8—Snow from 11:00 to 1:00.
- 9—Went ice skating.
- 10—Girl Reserve meeting.
- 11—Student Council Meeting, Hi-Y.
- 12—Home Ec. Club Chili supper.
- 13—Yvonne Leatherman elected President of National Honor Society.
- 14—Baer Field Orchestra was here to-

- day, and we got *The Scarlet Quill*; we beat St. Marys 66-27.
- 17—Mr. Mason was absent today.
- 18—Hi-Y; beat Paulding 47-28.
- 19—Mr. Baden walked down the hall.
- 20—Choir Practice.
- 21—End of semester, Celina won 35-21.
- 24—Printing Class started officially today.
- 25—Excalibur Staff and Student Council pictures were taken today.
- 26—Caught chewing gum again.
- 27—Washed my hair and can't do a thing with it.
- 28—Van Wert 35, Wapak 38.
- 31—Mr. Smith spoke at G. R. meeting.

FEBRUARY

- 1—Van Wert 33, Defiance 25.
- 2—Ground Hog Day.
- 3—Happy Birthday!
- 4—Mixer Van Wert 23, Delphos 24.
- 7—G. R. Meeting.
- 8—Hi-Y.
- 9—Keep up the good work, Bondadears.
- 10—Any Leap Year Day.
- 11—Van Wert 36, Bluffton 62; Snow—Chili Supper.

- 15—Hi-Y.
- 16—Checked up on Bond Sales.
- 17—Same old routine!
- 18—Van Wert 45; Kenton 51; Mixer.
- 21—Jorg Jump.
- 22—Washington's Birthday, Hi-Y.
- 23—Ash Wednesday, Van Wert 50, Bryan 23.
- 24—National Honor Society Induction in Delphos.
- 25—Don't forget your nickel.

- 12—Van Wert 29, Lima South 47; also
Lincoln's Birthday.
14—St. Valentine's Day.

- 28—G. R. meeting.
29—Hi-Y.

MARCH

- 1—Came in like a lion?
Home Work!!
Basketball Tournament begins. We
won, we're Champs!! Yippie, Hip!
Hip! Hooray!
6—First Monday in March.
7—Defiance vs. Van Wert.
8—For a change I spent a quiet evening
at home.
9—Got my Prom Date, at last.
10—File Federal Income Tax—Won
District Tournament.
11—Senior scholarship test.
13—Ginny O. attended D. A. R. State
Conference. Also Cecil Isbell spoke

- at Athletic Banquet.
14—Choral Concert, and very nice too.
15—Last day to file Federal Tax returns.
Army-Navy tests.
17—Scholarship tests, nice going kids.
20—First day of Spring.
25—Hi-Y conference.
26—Passion Sunday.
27—The History of our Flag was the
Theme of the Band Concert.
28—Band Concert, still going strong.
29—Leap Year, Oh! Girls!!
30—"Fireman Save My Child."
31—Bunny Club.

APRIL

- 1—April Fool's Day, did you get
fooled?
2—Prom Sunday.
3—The day after the night before.
4—Senior Class Play practice.
5—Eighth Grade Visitation Day.
6—G. R. Assembly.
Good Friday.
8—First day of Passover.
9—Easter (Did you get a new outfit?)
10—No school.
11—C. M. Smith spoke to Hi-Y.
12—Senior Class Play Committees
chosen.

- 13—Boys Physical Ed. classes undertake
swimming program.
14—Cartoon Crawl.
15—Slept
16—Church again.
17—6th six weeks begin.
18—Day before grade cards—Oh!!!
20—Day after grade cards, I'm still sick.
21—Formal Band Party.
22—All of Excalibur went to press.
26—Studied for State Scholarship Test.
27—Dress rehearsal
28—Scholarship test; Senior Class play
Pride and Prejudice."

MAY

- 1—First day of May (May Day).
2—Second day of Activity Ticket
Drive.
3—Home Nursing Course completed.
4—27 days till Commencement, Yip-
pee!!
5—Hi-Y Ladies' Night.
8—Gotta get up!
9—Induction of National Honor So-
ciety.
12—Elks Formal Party.
14—Mothers' Day.

- 15—Getting closer—O! Boy!
18—Ascension Day
19—Junior-Senior Prom.
20—Baseball District Tournament.
22—Maritime Day.
26—Recognition Assembly.
28—Baccalaureate Speaker was Rev.
Kenneth S. Learey; also Whit
Sunday.
30—Memorial Day—No School.
31—Commencement Speaker was Mr.
Arthur Horrocks of Akron.

JUNE

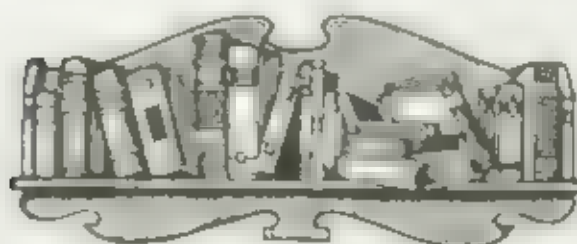
- 1—"School's out, School's out. Teacher let the Mules Out!"

Graduates of 1943

Branson Agler.....Army Air Cadet
 Barbara Lou Allen
 Nurses Training at Lima, Ohio
 Rodger L. Alspach State Highway
 Department, Columbus, Ohio
 Boneta Anderson National Seal
 Carl Anderson United States Navy
 Richard Armstrong Army Air Cadet
 Calvin Baer United States Navy
 Ruth Baer.... National Seal
 Arnold Baker, Jr..... United States Navy
 Marcia BalyeatOhio State
 University, Columbus, Ohio
 Walter Balliet United States Army
 Arthur Barrientos United States Navy
 Robert Barrientos, U. S. Tank Destroyers
 Betty Jean BatesVan Wert
 Manufacturing Company
 Helen Louise Bates Kennedy
 Manufacturing Company
 Leona Bebout National Seal
 Joanna Beemer Fort Wayne, Indiana
 Helen Irene Bell Ohio Power Company
 Mildred Rose Bell Detsel Wemmet
 Gilbert Corporation
 Paul Bodkins United States Army
 Betty Bodkins Ohio Power
 Mary Louise Brake Container Company
 Hazel Bresler Kennedy
 Manufacturing Company
 Robert Malcolm Brown
 United States Army Air Corps
 Martha Busch
 Central Fire Insurance Company
 Barbara Clark Dennison University
 Barbara Click Container Office
 Howard Cobb United States Army
 William Collins United States Navy
 Edna Lorraine Collier Recorder Office
 Myrtle Collins Rationing Board
 Betty Conley Married
 Sarah Cook Nurses Training, Lima, Ohio
 Viola Cook Detroit, Michigan
 Doyt Cox United States Army
 Virginia Crowe Clark's Shoe Store
 John Curtis United States Navy
 Dorothy Dexas Dayton, Ohio
 Audrey Dicks Container Company
 Betty Ditto National Seal
 Norma Ditto National Seal
 Goldie Dixon Kennedy
 Manufacturing Company

Patricia Dull Ohio State
 University, Columbus, Ohio
 Gloria Elder Container Office
 Lila Etter Ration Board
 Phyllis Jean Evans Lima, Ohio
 Beth Ann Fiegert
 Nursing School, Cincinnati, Ohio
 Kenneth Seabers
 Clayton United States Army
 Josephine Forste Fort Wayne, Indiana
 Helen Fox
 Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
 Edward
 United States Army Air Corps
 Margaret Furrell General
 Electric, Fort Wayne, Indiana
 Margaret Joan Gabriel
 Container Company
 Helen Gamble
 Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio
 Elba Rose Garver, Ohio Power Company
 Graham Container Company
 United States Navy
 Greenwald
 School, Columbus, Ohio
 Rex Grills United States Marine Corps
 Helen Gunsett, Ohio Northern University
 Bernard Haines United States Army
 Margery Hamman Nursing
 School, Fort Wayne, Indiana
 Kenneth Harr Schme
 Betty Jane Hartmer Container Office
 Mary Louise Hiles Virginia
 Betty Hisey Times-Bulletin Newspaper
 Marcede Hoghe Lima Tank Depot
 Kenneth Holland United States Army
 Bernice Huhn Fort Wayne, Indiana
 Chester Hunter United States Army
 Elizabeth Inler County Deputy
 Barbara Jones Container Company
 Donna Marie Johnson Art School
 (Interior Decoration) Cincinnati
 Phyllis Keith
 Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
 Harold Keith United States Army
 Barbara Kenyon Nursing School at
 Ohio State University, Columbus
 Geraldine Kinder WAVES
 Herbert Klewer United States Navy
 Isabelle Knittle Central Manufacturing
 Robert Kreischer Container Company
 Betty Ladd Alliance, Ohio

Richard Longworth	Alice Stewart
United States Army Air Corps	Lima Tank Depot
Pat Maher	James Stoops
Maher Coal Yard	Seabees
Joan Mason	Harriet Strother
Ohio State	Container
University, Columbus, Ohio	Company, Van Wert, Ohio
David McConahay	Edith Stokes
United States Marine Corps	Seabees
Peg McKeddie	Edith Lat
Columbus, Ohio	Heidelberg College
Bud Monroe	Clark Terry
United States Navy V-12	Honorably Discharged
Daniel Morris	Montella Thomas
Lima Tank Depot	Central Insurance Company
Betty Mullen	Violet Thomas
Kennedy Kit	Nurses Training, Lima, Ohio
Fred Mullen	John Truax
Y. M. C. A.	United States Navy
John Oswalt	Linus Unterbrink
United States Navy	United States Navy
Mark Painter	Juanita Vaske
United States Army	
Ervin Place	Margaret Wade
Marsh	Bible School
Foundation, Van Wert, Ohio	Harley Walls
Robert Pritchard	United States Army
Edith Raabe	Ned Walters
Nursing School, Western Reserve	United States Marine Corps
Barbara Raye	Cloyd Waltz
Fort Wayne, Indiana	Farm
Martha Remmy	Mendall Webb
Miami University, Oxford, Ohio	United States Army Air Corps
Marjorie Rhoades	Alice Weber
National Seal	New Haven, Indiana
Jean Roggenkemper	Jack Weigle
Nursing	United States Army
School, Fort Wayne, Indiana	Permilla Wherry
Nancy Ross	Marsh Office
Dayton, Ohio	Marjorie Ann Wilkie
Leah Salisbury	Container Office
Lima Tank Depot	Donald Wolf
Russell Sharp	United States Army
United States Navy	Milo Clarence Wyandt
Donald D. Shaw	United States Navy
United States Navy Air Corps	Ronald Young
Marilyn Shoop	Army Air Corps
Library, Van Wert, Ohio	Theron Young
Lois Sink	United States Navy
Van Wert Overall Company	Robert Zeigler
Eileen Smith	United States Army
People's Bank, Van Wert, Ohio	Charles Zinsmeister
Doyt Spridgreon	Navy Air Corps
Container	Lois Zinsmeister
Company, Van Wert, Ohio	Toledo Nurses' Training



Van Wert High School Graduates Now In Armed Forces

Abbott, Walter	Army Air Corps	Brubaker, Raymond	Army
Adams, Harry	Army	Burley, Robert	Army
(Honorably discharged)		Burnett, Wendell	Army
Agler, Harvey	Army	Brooks, Clifford	Army
Agler, John	Army	Campbell, Kenneth	Army
Agler, Joseph	Army	Carothers, Frank	Army
Agner, James	Army	Carpenter, Duane	Army
Alban, Paul	Army	Carter, Eugene	Army
Albright, Charles	Marines	Carter, David	Army
Allen, David	Army	Carter, Raymond	Army
Allen, William	Army	Chadwick, Robert	Army
Allgere, Harold	Navy	Cladester, Paul	Army
Anderson, Carl	Army	Clark, Henry	Army
Anderson, Clarence	Navy	Coston, Don	Army
Anderson, Thorvald	Army Air Corps	Cotton, Richard	Army
Argenbright, Frank	Army	Cobb, Forrest Howard, Army Air Corps	
Armstrong, Richard	Army Air Corps	Coffelt, Stanley	Army
Atkinson, Paul	Army	Cole, Frances	Navy
Atha, Don	Army	Combs, Kenneth	Army
Baer, Calvin	Navy	Comer, Leroy	Army
Baer, William	Army	Conley, Richard	Army
Bailey, Harold	Army	Conn, Kenneth	Marines
Bailey, Nathan	Army	Conn, Webster	Coast Guard
Baker, Charles	Army	Coon, John	Navy
Baker, Waldo	Army	Coon, Otis	Army
Balliet, Walter E.	Army	Cox, Austin	Marines
Barrientos, Arthur	Navy	Craig, Gordon	Army
Barrientos, Bob	Army	(Honorably discharged)	
Barga, John	Army	Custer, Doyt	Army
Baxter, Gordon	Army	Cress, David	Army
Baxter, Lavin	Army	Curtis, John	Navy
Baxter, Robert	Army	Daly, Benjamin	Army
Beam, William	Army	Daniel, Walter	Army
Beamer, Virgel	Navy	Decker, Charles	Army
Beavo, Jack	Army	Decker, Robert	Army
Beck, Vernon	Army	Decker, Jack	Army
Beemer, Ben	Army	Decker, Sam	Army
Bender, Robert	Army	Deal, George	Army
Bodkins, Paul	Army	Denig, Jack	Army
Bollenbacher, Don	Army	Devine, Don	Army
Bonnewitz, Paul	Army	Demoss, Murray	Army
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Boroff, Herbert	Navy	Doring, Leo	Army (Gold)
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Bowers, Richard	Army	East, Leonard	Army
Brake, Kenneth	Army	Easterling, Carl	Army Air Corps
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Brotherwood, James	Army Air Corps	Edwards, Thomas	Army
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Brown, Hoyt	Army	Elder, Graydon	Army
Brown, Jack	Army	Endsley, Floyd	Army
Brown, Malcolm	Army Air Corps	English, Robert	Army Air Corps
Brown, Robert	Army	Eschbach, Robert	Seabees

Evans, David	Army	Hyer, Jack ..	Navy
Evans, Harry	Army	Jackson, Allen ..	Army
Fackler, Ervin	Army	Jerome, Maynard ..	Marines
Feigert, Marion	Army	Jerome, Richard ..	Army
Feigert, Paul	Navy	Johnson, Marvin ..	Army
Feigert, Richard	Army	Jones, Richard ..	Army
Feckler, Jack	Navy	Jordan, Leo ..	Army
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Fillmer, Frank ..	Army	Keipper, Paul ..	Marines
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Freemuth, Elmer ..	Army	Kreischer, Richard ..	Army
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Good, R. H.	Army	Leiter, McClelland ..	Army
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Medaugh, Gaylord	Army
Medaugh, Vernon	Army
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Miller, Dave	Army
Miller, Dean	Army Air Corps
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Miller, Robert	Army
Miller, Paul	Army
Miller, Russel	Army
Miller, William	Army
Milligan, Robert	Navy
Mitchener, Frederick	Army
Monday, Harvey	Army
Morgan, Richard ..	Navy
Morrison, Erwin	Army
Mosier, Robert	Army Air Corps
Muntzinger, Don ..	Army
Myers, Albert	Army
Myers, Joseph	Army
Myers, Paul	Army
Myers, Robert	Army
Myers, Schuyler	Navy
Nicholas, Rex	Army
Obenour, James	Army
Oechsle, Donald	Army
Oswalt, John	Navy Air Corps
Painter, Mack	Army
Palmer, Bob	Marines
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Poling, Glenn	Navy
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Wagonrod, William	Army	Gribler, Margaret	WACS
Walls, John	Army	Hale, Bonnie	WAFS
Walters, Dale	Army	Hale, Irene	WAFS
Walters, Ed	Marines	Kenyon, Harriet	WASP
Walters, Sumner	Army	Knoll, Mildred	Army Nurse
Waltz, Carlos	Army	Landis, Frances	WAFS
Wandell, Eugene	Navy	Milligan, Norma Grace	WAFS
(Medical Discharge)		Pond, Anna Mae	WAFS
Weaver, McGuire	Army	Reid, Dorothy	WAFS
Webb, Mendell	Army Air Corps	Schaadt, Alice	WAFS
Weck, George	Army	Smith, Dorothy	WACS
Weiggler, Jack	Army	Strack, Louise ..	WACS
Welch, Neil	Army	Stripe, Harriet	WAFS
Wermer, Russell	Army	Wherry, Maxine	Army Nurse
		Zoltz, Virginia ..	Marine



Jim S.: "Oh, I've broken a rule."
Miss Armstrong: "Never mind, my dear. Mr. Baden will make you another one."

Doc: "Music is no good."
Doc: "What is the matter?"
Doc: "All the directions it gives are for adults and I never had them."

Frank: "I don't see how you tell those Smith twins apart."
Ann: "That's easy. Mabel always blushes when we meet."

Miss Bock conducting her class in shorthand.
"What is your idea of a good business letter?"
Joe Morgan: "Something like the modern woman's costume—short enough to be interesting and long enough to cover the necessary points."

Advice to the perpetual women daters: Don't get your lines tangled or the poor fish may get away.

STILL MORE SENTIMENTAL

He met her in the meadow
As the sun was sinking low,
They strolled along together,
In the twilight of afterglow.
She waited while gallantly
He lowered all the bars,
Her soft eyes beamed upon him
As radiant as the stars.
But she neither smiled nor thanked him,
For indeed, she knew not how,
Since he was but a country boy,
And she—a Jersey cow.

A RISING TROUBLE

Dr.: Doc, I need something for my stomach.
"What are your symptoms?"
"Well, every few minutes something seems to rise up, then set me back again, and by and by rise up again."
"Look here, you haven't swallowed an elevator, have you?"

SURE OF IT

Dick Showa: "I wish to ask you a question."
Miss Green: "Yes, go ahead."
Dick S.: "What is my grade?"

AT THE PARTY

He: "I'm so sorry I missed that opportunity to kiss you."
She: "Oh, don't feel bad about it, there will be another."

Dr.: "What is peculiar about a turtle's head?"
Puzzled Student: "I don't know, except it's home."
Dr.: "So is yours."

Mr. Clifton: "Did you see Santa Claus last night?"
Jack: "No, but I heard what he said when he stubbed his toe on the bed."

He (angrily): "Now, I see through you completely."
She: "Well, that's only because there is a bright sun."

How many? They had been married a little while. "Wow wow-wow wow," wailed the baby.

"Four bowls and I walk," quoth the player father in mutual distress, as he arose from his bed and took the infant in his arms.

How kind of you to bring me these flowers. They are so fresh, and there is some dew on them.

Doc: "You are a little bit better than I am."

KISS KISS

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"No Tipping" read a sign in a restaurant. Beneath it was a small, neat sign saying, "The above opinion and idea is that of the company and does not necessarily represent the opinion of the employees."

First One: "The other night I heard a burglar in the house. You should have seen me going down stairs three at a clip."

Second One: "Where was the burglar, on the roof?"

WHO PUT IT THERE?

Peg B.: "I heard something this morning which opened my eyes."
Ruth R.: "So did I—an alarm clock."

LIES

Love lies in a woman's eyes—and lies and lies and lies.

Barbara B.: "How was my speech?"
Barbara S.: "Fine. When you sat down, every one said it was the finest thing you ever did."

He: "I have a friend who suffers terribly from the heat."
She: "Where is he living?"
He: "He isn't living."

Coach Smith: "I went into a dry goods store today to get some stockings for my wife, and said to the young woman at the counter: 'How high do your stockings come?'"
Coach Peters: "Well, what of it?"
Coach Smith: "She told me it was none of my business."

Mr. Katterheirrich: "Fools can ask so many questions wise men can't answer them."

Tom G.: "That's what happened on that test you gave us the other day."

1st boy: "What's that tooth brush for?"

2nd boy: "It's my class pin. I graduated from Colgate."

Bill: "Is she modest?"

Dick: "Modest! Why, she can't even watch a pool game."

Bill: "What's the reason?"

Dick: "She blushes every time the balls kiss."

Joe Stover (clapping hands over girl's eyes): "If you can't guess who this is in three guesses, I'll kiss you!"

Curry Olberding Jack Foss Dave Jones Santa Claus

The American Society of Phrenologists, at its recent meeting in Philadelphia, prepared for circulation a list of terms that may be used synonymously for "hit on the head," thus conferring a great favor on those who are always looking for something new.

Here they are:

Dubbed on the Dome
Topped on the Conk
Bumped on the Buzer
Billed on the Brain
Busted on the Skull
Whuffed on the Skull
Cracked on the Nut
Nailed on the Knob
Slugged on the Bellfry
Lammed on the Peak
Dinged on the Brain Box
Use your choice.

Ed.

Senior Survey

Best dressed Senior girl	Jackie Mahan
Best dressed Senior boy	Earl Barson
Best looking Senior girl	Vivian Wise
Best looking Senior boy	Virgil Maxson
Senior girl with best figure	Marjora Fiser
Senior boy with best physique	Clyde Coon
Friendliest Senior girl	Virginia Olberding
Friendliest Senior boy	Jack Clifton
Most studious Senior girl	Mary Hofmann
Most studious Senior boy	Paul Ross
Best girl athlete	Mary Eschbach
Best boy athlete	Clide Ford
Most popular Senior girl	Peg Bernheisel
Most popular Senior boy...	Vernon Palmer
Biggest Senior wolfess...	June Conley
Biggest Senior wolf	James Stover
Senior girl most likely to succeed	Barbara Beard
Senior boy most likely to succeed	Richard Ireton
Senior girl with best personality	Yvonne Leatherman
Senior boy with best personality	Robert Brubaker

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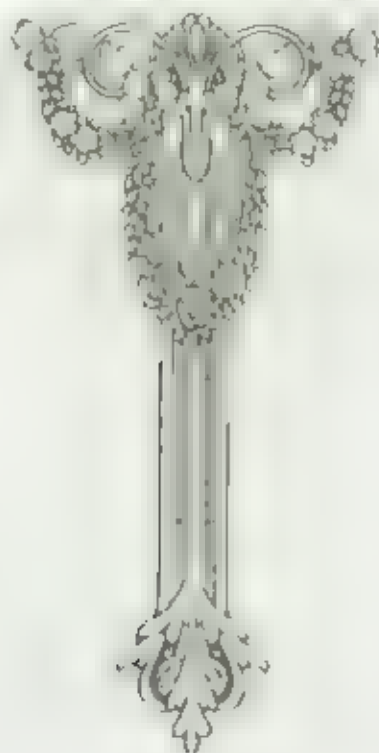
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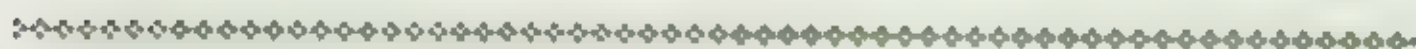
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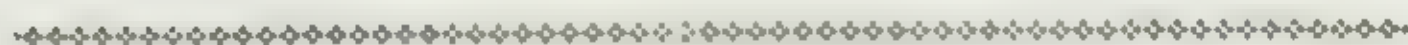


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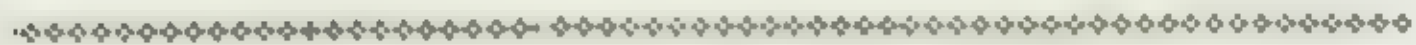
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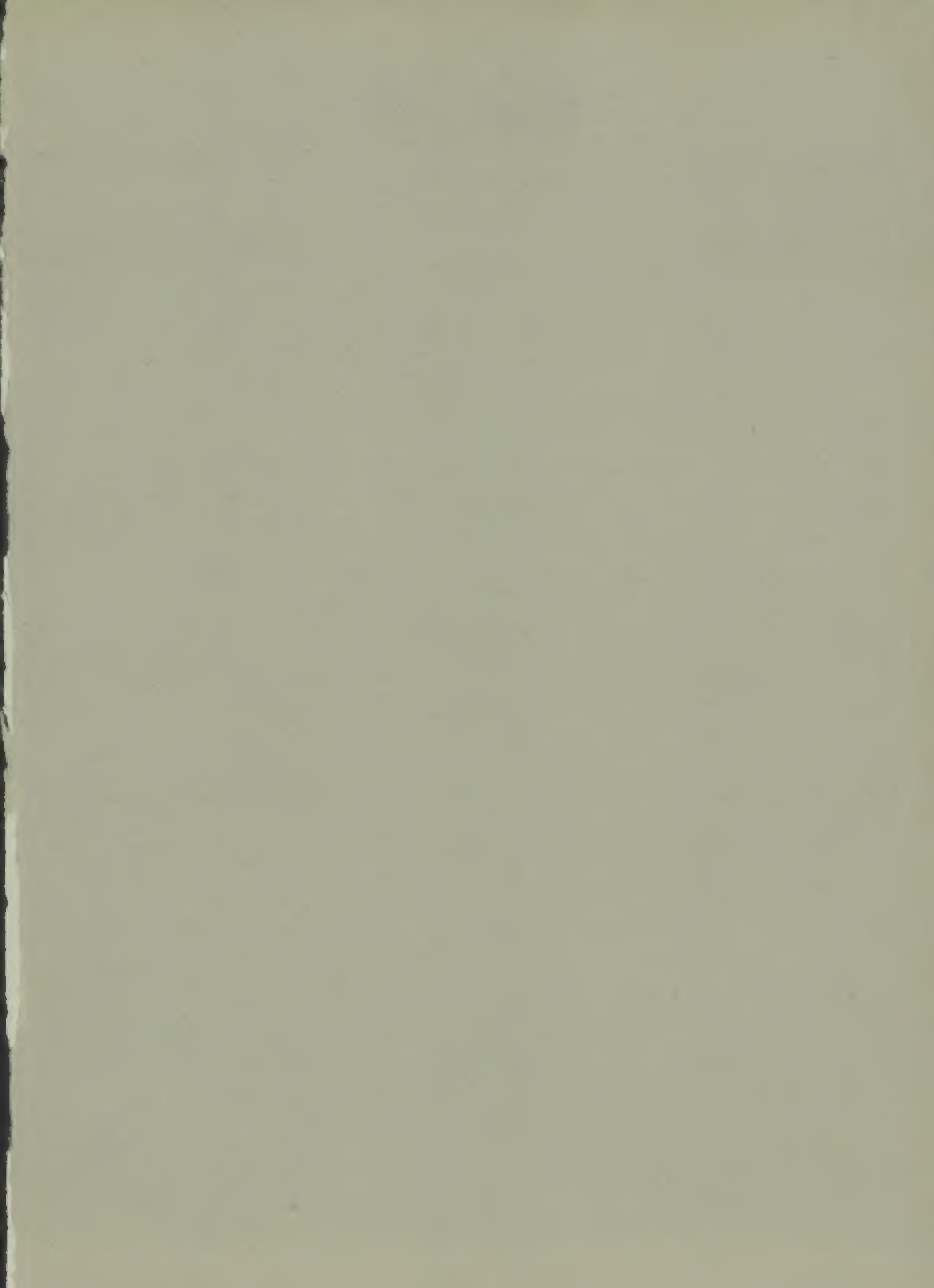
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